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EDITOR'S PREFACE.

THE United States Catholic Historical Society cannot send forth this volume without returning thanks to the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Ogdensburg. No one was better fitted to chronicle the story of St. Joseph's Seminary than Bishop Gabriels, who was present at its opening and guided its fortunes for the greater part of its existence. In his possession were most of the official documents bearing on the history of the Seminary which are known to exist, and he is personally acquainted with all the sources of information. Naturally, the former president of the Seminary has used the language of modesty and sobriety, rather than that of enthusiasm, in presenting his story to our readers. From a historical point of view this adds value to the work. We feel convinced that the Bishop's historical sketch will always remain the chief source of information of the history of St. Joseph's Seminary.

The graceful epilogue on the Alumni Society of St. Joseph's Seminary, which we owe to the Rev. Thos. F. Myhan, entitles him to our warmest thanks, the more so as he had but scanty time for preparation.

To our distinguished artist friend, Dr. Leigh Har-

rison Hunt, who was so kind as to prepare the encadrement of the groups of photographs, we take this occasion to express our warmest thanks.

In conclusion we acknowledge most gratefully the aid given to us by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Rochester, Rt. Rev. Monsignor Edwards, Rev. Thos. J. Campbell, S.J., Very Rev. Dean Wm. Livingston, Dr. T. Gaffney Taaffe, and Mr. John E. Cahalan in our researches on the early history of St. Joseph's Seminary, Fordham. Our sketch is almost wholly based upon the yearly reports in the Catholic Almanac. As these come from official sources, we feel able to guarantee the accuracy of our narrative.

N. Gabriels

RT. REV. HENRY GABRIELS, D.D.

By Charles George Herbermann, Ph.D., LL.D.

As every one knows who has followed the course of European events during the nineteenth century, there are no more sturdy children of the Catholic Church than the Catholic Flemings of Belgium. Many a zealous missionary and many a distinguished bishop have they given to the Church in the United States. We need only mention the names of Nerinckx, De Smet, Damien, Seghers, Vandevelde, and Maes. From this vigorous and loyal stock came Bishop Gabriels, many years president of Troy Seminary and at present Bishop of Ogdensburg. His worthy parents had ten children. The Bishop was born October 6, 1838, at the village of Wannegem-Lede. In his boyhood he evidenced a high degree of intelligence and unusual love of learning, and an inclination to the priesthood, which led to his being sent to the College under the charge of the Priests of Our Lady of Termonde at Audenarde. After completing his Classics at this institution he became a student of the Petit Seminaire of the diocese of Ghent, where he made his course of Philosophy. At the age of twenty, in the year 1858, having finally resolved to dedicate himself to the service of God and the Church, he entered the diocesan Seminary of Ghent. Here he pursued his studies as a theologian

for two years and was ordained sub-deacon in 1860. His success as a theological student resulted in his being sent in the fall of that year to the University of Louvain, where he was to pursue a more advanced course of studies. With his usual devotion to duty he gave himself up to the work assigned him and success did not fail to crown his efforts. In 1862 he won the Baccalaureate of Theology. In 1864 he was promoted to be Licentiate of Theology, which degree implies the faculty of teaching. He was thus declared to be worthy to be appointed to a chair of Theology.

Shortly before this time Archbishop Hughes had closed St. Joseph's Seminary, Fordham, having found it impracticable to recruit from among his diocesan clergy a competent staff of professors able and willing to conduct such an institution. The Sulpicians, to whom he then appealed, found themselves in no position to take this new charge upon themselves, for their resources were fully taxed to supply the needs of seminaries already under their guidance, such as those of Montreal and Baltimore. It thereupon occurred to the Archbishop that the most practical way of saving and husbanding his ecclesiastical forces and of supplying not only his own necessities but also those of his suffragans was the foundation of a provincial seminary to which not only the Archbishop of New York but also the bishops of the province who desired to take part in the scheme, and in fact any other bishop, might send their ecclesiastical students to be prepared for ordination.

When he laid his plan before his suffragans it was received with warm appreciation by many of them,

though there were some who never took kindly to the project. The most important question connected with the projected institution was: Who shall compose the faculty of the new seminary? At Archbishop Hughes's request, Bishop McCloskey, then of Albany, Bishop Fitzpatrick, then of Boston, and Bishop McFarland of Hartford, who were at that time visiting Europe, made inquiries as to the best means of solving this question. Naturally their eyes turned to the University of Louvain, at that time the only Catholic University in Europe outside of Rome. They first applied to Cardinal Sterckx, the Primate of Belgium, to help them procure the teachers they were in search of, but the Cardinal had no priests to spare from his diocese. By his advice they put themselves in communication with Bishop Delebecque of Ghent, who had already been much interested in the missions of the United States and in the American College at Louvain, which had supplied many excellent priests, chiefly to the western missions. Bishop Delebecque lent a willing ear to the American bishops and promised them his aid in looking up for them a strong faculty for the contemplated seminary. Having so large a supply of university-bred theological scholars in his diocese, he fixed his eyes on a number of them, fit by their character, their talents, and their academical success to be placed in charge of so important a mission. The young Licentiate of theology from Wannegem-Lede was one of the first whose name was suggested to Bishop Delebecque, who saw in him a man thoroughly adapted for the work to be done. He opened negotiations with him, proposed his plan and

offered him a chair in the new seminary without, however, requiring him to sever his connections with his native diocese. The Rev. Mr. Gabriels, actuated both by missionary zeal and love of learning, did not hesitate long and accepted the Bishop's offer. In this way the future bishop, when just beginning his clerical career, was honored with an important chair in the seminary of the largest ecclesiastical province in the United States.

Meanwhile, Archbishop Hughes had decided to locate the new Provincial Seminary at Troy, New York, as our readers will find detailed in the Bishop's pages. Everything was ready for the opening of the new institution. No doubt it cost the young professor not a few pangs, at the very outset of his career as a churchman, to bid adieu to his native country and the parents and family he loved so dearly. The trial was, however, somewhat softened by his not being the only Belgian in the new faculty. In truth it was to be composed almost wholly of his countrymen. At the head was placed a man distinguished both for scholarship and high character, the Rev. Louis J. Vandenhende, who was well fitted to inspire confidence and courage in the members of the new faculty. The other gentlemen of the Seminary staff who sailed with the future bishop from Antwerp were: the Rev. Charles Roelants, S.T.B., and the Rev. Peter Puissant, S.T.B. They brought with them a band of Brothers of Our Lady of Lourdes, who were to take charge of the household affairs in St. Joseph's.

The young professor, with his companions, reached New York on the 17th of October, 1864. They were

welcomed by President Vandenhende, and having been presented to Archbishop McCloskey, the successor of Archbishop Hughes, forthwith sailed up the Hudson to their new home. No time was lost; the day after their arrival the new faculty began their work. To Father Gabriels had been assigned the department of Dogmatic Theology, of which he immediately undertook the duties. Our readers can follow in his own recital the story of his labors and those of his confrères. For us it suffices to say that like his colleagues, both Belgian and American, he was inspired by the wisdom, the energy and the zeal of the universally respected president, Canon Vandenhende, and that all strove to realize the lofty ideal which he placed before them. As a teacher and lecturer Father Gabriels was earnest and prudent, careful in his opinions and always conservative.

There was plenty of work for the young professor, and he had neither time nor cause for regrets or homesickness. Of course Father Gabriels was too good and too affectionate a son and brother not to bear his family an affectionate remembrance and to pay an occasional visit to his Belgian home. The first of these visits he undertook, in company with his colleagues Roelants and Puissant, in 1867, and it repaid him for the years of toil he had undergone since his departure from home.

Meanwhile, the day was fast approaching which was to bring him new responsibilities and new honors. The old president had given his best efforts to laying solidly the foundations of St. Joseph's. He had organized the institution, arranged the different courses,

and endeavored to infuse into the student body his own spirit of solid piety and earnestness. The students had responded heartily to his efforts and had rewarded their superior by their sincere respect and loyalty. His years now weighed upon the venerable prelate, and his Belgian friends urged him to seek rest from his labors in his native country. The Cardinal Archbishop was loath to lose so faithful and so able a helpmate and used his utmost efforts to detain him. At last, however, he felt it would be ungracious to continue his objections and he accepted the president's resignation. On the 1st of July, 1871, Canon Vandenhende sailed from the port of New York for Belgium, where he was received with greatest warmth and loaded with honors. He died at Ghent.

On the very day which saw the departure of the first president of St. Joseph's Seminary Cardinal McCloskey sent a most gracious letter to Father Gabriels recognizing his past services and those of his fellow professors and appointing him Canon Vandenhende's successor as president. A few days later the new president went to New York to confer with the Cardinal Archbishop and receive his final instructions.

The new head of the Seminary felt the great responsibility placed on his shoulders by his promotion and he determined to redouble his efforts to do his duty to the full. In the preceding year he had undertaken to lecture on Ecclesiastical History while retaining his original chair of Dogmatic Theology. He now also temporarily taught Logic, showing that he shrank from no labor when the emergency required it. His promotion at

Troy did not pass unnoticed in his native land. In 1882 the University of Louvain gave Father Gabriels the Doctorate of Theology *honoris causa*. These honors did not change the new president; he remained the same affable, modest man he had always been and was willing to render service whenever it was in his power.

Three years before Dr. Gabriels' promotion, Father Edwards, the procurator of the Seminary, had discovered quite a number of German and Irish Catholics at places called Sand Lake and Poestenkill, some ten miles distant from the Seminary. They had lived there for many years surrounded by Protestants, without much spiritual attendance. Accident revealed them to Father Edwards. The latter, greatly disturbed, brought the case to the attention of Father Gabriels, who had sufficient knowledge of the German language to undertake the mission. The appeal of Father Edwards met with a ready response on the part of Father Gabriels, and with the Bishop's permission the organization of a new parish was begun at Sand Lake in 1868. Within a month the new pastor had gathered several hundred Catholics, who attended the Mass said by Father Gabriels at the home of one of these long-neglected Catholics. The professor for several years went every second Sunday to his rustic parish of St. Henry's, and soon it became so important that it received a resident pastor from the Bishop.

Meantime matters went the usual regular way at the Seminary. In order to have a clearer and more methodical system of discipline, President Gabriels now collected and codified the rules under which the

Seminary had been governed since its inception. The rules were duly submitted to the Metropolitan of New York and the other bishops interested in the government of the Seminary and unanimously approved by them. They were then published under the title of *Manuale Alumnorum Seminarii Sti. Joseph., Trojae, N. Y.*

The monotony of seminary life was, however, broken in upon during the years 1883 and 1884. In the former year was held the Fourth Provincial Council of New York, and the president was called away from the Seminary to perform the duties of secretary. This he did so efficiently that when in the following year the American hierarchy assembled for the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, President Gabriels was appointed one of the Archbishop's theologians, and he was subsequently named one of the general secretaries. He rendered great services in preparing various reports and protocols. His visits to New York and Baltimore were followed by a long period of conscientious work at Troy. In consequence of the rules enacted at the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore the Seminary course was enlarged to six years, two being awarded to philosophy. New professors were appointed and old ones passed away, the president remaining faithfully at the helm.

But this was not destined to last. On December 20, 1891, the bulls were signed at Rome nominating Dr. Gabriels' successor of Bishop Wadhams in the See of Ogdensburg, an appointment equally flattering to the nominee and beneficial to the diocese. Dr. Gabriels' activity at the Provincial Council of New York and

at the Plenary Council of Baltimore had evidently pointed him out to the prelates of the province of New York as a man fit to rule and to sustain the episcopal dignity. For the diocese of Ogdensburg he was specially adapted. That diocese has a Catholic population, to a considerable degree made up of French-speaking Canadians, and French was as familiar to Dr. Gabriels as his native tongue. His knowledge of German also was likely to be of service. As soon as the appointment became known the Bishop-elect was overwhelmed with congratulations. However, he remained quietly at his post of duty, and while preparing for his new sphere of work he continued in active service at St. Joseph's until the following April (1892), when he officially resigned. The consecration of Dr. Gabriels took place on the 5th of May in the Cathedral at Albany. Archbishop Corrigan, who had been for many years the friend of the new Bishop, was the consecrator. He was assisted by Bishops McNeirny of Albany and Ludden of Syracuse. Twenty-three archbishops and bishops, not only American but Canadian, also graced the occasion by their presence, while five hundred priests and one hundred and fifty ecclesiastical students helped to crowd the body of the great Cathedral. The aged Bishop of Rochester, Dr. McQuaid, preached an eloquent sermon.

A few weeks after, Dr. Gabriels, now Bishop of Ogdensburg, returned to St. Joseph's to preside at an official function. At the ordination which followed next after the Bishop's consecration, the young presbyters naturally desired the distinction of being the first to receive Holy Orders from their long-time president, and Bishop

Gabriels was delighted by his officiating to give a new proof of his interest in the Seminary and of his deep affection for its Alumni. After his consecration the Bishop had proceeded to Ogdensburg to take possession of his see. He was practically unknown to his flock, but before long he succeeded in gaining the love and loyalty of his people. Conscientious in the discharge of his duties, ever ready to go where duty called, affable to all, both rich and poor, zealous for the interests of the Church, he was soon known in every part of his diocese, and where he was known he was loved and respected. He is equally popular with the English-speaking and with the French-speaking members of his flock. It would be indelicate to write here a eulogy of the old Trojan president and offensive to the Bishop's modesty. We shall therefore close this inadequate sketch by warmly repeating the wish of all his numerous friends: " May he long live and bless and rule the diocese of Ogdensburg."

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John Hughes. Abp

EARLY NEW YORK SEMINARIES.

By Charles George Herbermann, Ph.D., LL.D.

An old and far-famed saying tells us that the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church, and the history of the Roman persecutions amply proves its truth. But when the Sun of Peace shines benignly upon the Church the seed of faith is scattered in a new but equally effective way. It is cultivated and nurtured in the new seed-places of the Church—the seminaries which sprang up wherever Christianity flourished, the nurseries of the Catholic clergy.

Of the first three bishops who ruled the see of New York, the first, Dr. Concanen, never saw his episcopal city; the second, Bishop Connolly, was so busied with organizing his diocese that he found no time in the short years which he governed the Church in the metropolis to turn his attention to the creation of a seminary. It would have been strange, however, if the third bishop of New York, Monsignor Dubois, had made no effort to supply this sadly felt want. He had been a Sulpician himself, had been for some time associated with St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, and had been the founder and president of Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg, which was not only a college, but also a seminary, and the *Alma Mater* of many of the most distinguished priests and bishops

in the United States. Accordingly, not many years after his promotion to the see of New York (1826), he resolved that one of his first duties was to establish a diocesan seminary. He was convinced that clerics trained at home, familiar with the needs of the Church in this country and of their own spiritual children, would do far more effective work than could be expected from the strangers that had hitherto made up the bulk of the American priesthood. When, therefore, in September, 1829, he made his visit to Rome and laid before the Congregation of the Propaganda his report of the condition of his diocese, he dwelt with such energy on the need of a seminary and so earnestly craved for assistance that the Roman prelates could not refuse his petition. Both the Holy Father and the Propaganda not only approved of his views but also furnished him with means to the extent of their ability. On his return to New York he lost no time. The money he had gathered in Europe was after all a modest sum. He could not think of establishing the projected seminary in the city itself, because his means were inadequate. On looking around in the neighborhood of the city for a site, he finally pitched upon a spot at Nyack in Rockland County, twenty miles from New York. To-day this distance would prove no great obstacle, but in 1832, when the choice was made, to go to Nyack meant a day's travel. The wayfarer went by way of Hoboken and drove in a wagon over the hills. The country was pleasing enough, but the inhabitants were far from hospitable. The descendants of the old Dutchmen had no craving to become acquainted with "popish"

priests, and regarded with the eye of suspicion these strangers that came unbidden to settle among them. But the men whom Monsignor Dubois had put in charge of the undertaking were prudent men and wise. To the presidency he had appointed one of his own successors at Emmittsburg, the Reverend Mr. Garry. His chief assistant was Father John McCloskey, in after times destined to be the first American Cardinal. Their modest and conciliatory proceedings soon wrought a change in the feelings of their new neighbors, who now were quite ready to aid the settlers in every manner. The site of the seminary had been purchased with the money contributed by the Pope, while the $18,000 collected by Bishop Dubois in Europe was spent on the new buildings. Everything progressed favorably, and on August 10th, 1834, the chapel, which had been pushed more vigorously than the main building, was solemnly dedicated. Father McCloskey delivered the sermon, which contemporaries assure us was an eloquent discourse. Meantime the work on the main building was hurried on, and the completion was well within sight, when, to the dismay of the good Bishop, it was destroyed by fire. The blaze was probably due to accident, though voices were heard charging incendiarism. Such was the sad end of New York's first seminary. The building was a total loss, covered by no insurance. It was indeed a catastrophe, for where was the poverty-stricken Bishop to find another $20,000 with which to make a second attempt?

In the darkest gloom, however, an unexpected helper was found. This was the Honorable Cornelius Heeney,

former partner of John Jacob Astor, repeatedly chosen member of the State Assembly, and the generous founder of the Brooklyn Orphan Asylum. He offered to the Bishop a site for a college and seminary in the city of Brooklyn, which was eagerly accepted. The unused material at Nyack was hurriedly transferred to the new site and building operations were about to begin. Then came a check. The Bishop asked for the title of the property forthwith, but Mr. Heeney declined to comply with this demand, promising to deliver it on the completion of the building. Both men were obstinate and no seminary was built.

Bishop Dubois, however, was not the man to be daunted by this second failure. His conviction that a seminary was one of the most urgent needs of the diocese was too profound to allow him to remain inactive. In January, 1836, he again raised his voice in behalf of a new seminary. This time he addressed his own flock, ardently conjuring his priests to plead the cause of the new institution before their parishioners, and assuring them of the assistance of the Bishops of Boston and Philadelphia. The appeal seems to have found but a faint echo in the hearts of the people, and the Bishop sought to devise new plans more acceptable to them. He bethought himself of the old college at Emmittsburg, which he had founded and raised to a high degree of success. Why should not a similar institution, half college, half seminary, prosper in New York? Accordingly, early in 1838 his coadjutor, Bishop Hughes, began to look around for a suitable site for the new seminary. Mr. Lafarge, father of the eminent artist John Lafarge, owned at

that time a fine property in northern New York, near the Thousand Islands. The place was called Lafargeville. The owner had spent $30,000 on his mansion, but was induced to assign the property to Bishop Hughes for $20,000. The situation was ideal. The college was opened on the 20th of September, 1838, under the presidency of the Reverend Mr. Guth, aided by the Reverend Messrs. Moran and Haas and three lay professors. Success did not answer the Bishop's hopes and expectations. The students numbered only eight, six men and two boys. Bishop Bayley, in his history of the Church in New York, gives us the names of the following clergymen who were partly educated at Lafargeville: The Reverends Miles Maxwell, B. L. Llaneza, Charles D. McMullen, and Anthony Farley. Rev. Fr. Donahue may have been the fifth, as we learn from Archbishop Corrigan's register of the clergy.* The next year brought no progress. "Yesterday we opened our class again with a handful of children. . . . We might be compared to a big stage coach, drawn by four horses, but with no passengers," reported Mr. Guth in September, 1839. It soon became evident that the Catholics, the bulk of whom resided in southern New York, were unwilling to send their children to an institution which, however beautifully situated, could be reached only after weeks of travel. The scheme was given up, and St. Vincent de Paul's Seminary, as it was called, forever closed its doors.

Bishop Dubois's days were drawing to a close. But it must have been balm to the heart of the old prelate to see that his successor was no less zealous for the

* See Records and Studies, Vol. III, Part 2, p. 290.

establishment of a seminary than he himself had been. When St. Vincent's Seminary closed, the energetic coadjutor resolved forthwith to replace it by a new institution. The Emmittsburg idea was still maintained, that is to say, the new place of learning was to include both college and seminary. But the error of locating the seminary far away from the haunts of men was carefully avoided and a site for the new seminary and college was selected in the immediate vicinity of the metropolis. In July, 1839, Bishop Hughes bought the magnificent property of Rose Hill at Fordham for a moderate price, and thus laid the foundation of the first successful college and seminary in the great diocese of New York. Bishop Hughes lost no time in organizing his seminary and college. At the head of the college he placed the man above all fitted to organize it, the Rev. John McCloskey, afterwards his successor and the first American Cardinal. The college, which received the name of St. John's College, was formally opened on June 24th, 1841. The Seminary, which was placed under the patronage of St. Joseph, began its work the same year under the presidency of the Rev. Felix Villanis, D.D., of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists), probably in the fall. When it became apparent that the institution at Lafargeville was a failure, the theological students had been removed, and so it happened that the first theological students of St. Joseph's Seminary came in part from Mount St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg. They numbered in all fourteen. They were lodged in the main building at first, and afterwards in a side building.

FRATELLI D'ALESSANDRI, ROMA

John Card. McCloskey
Archbp of New York

It is difficult to unravel the story of the early fates of the Fordham Seminary. As all the presidents' and professors' names in connection therewith were those of Italian Lazarists, we may infer that the institution had been confided to their charge.

In 1842 Father Villanis was replaced by Father Anthony Penco, C.M.,* who remained at the head of the Seminary during 1842, 1843, and 1844. With Father Penco labored Father A. Roadte and Father Philip Borgna or Borgua. Of the latter we learn that he was Professor of Philosophy at St. Joseph's in 1844. The former occupied a chair there in 1843, but we have no record of the subject he taught. In 1843 there were in the Seminary thirty-one students of theology, and accordingly we find that in the year 1844 there were numerous ordinations.

In 1845 the Seminary had thirty-one theological students, according to the Catholic Almanac of that year, but only a single member of the faculty is mentioned, the Rev. Raphael Rainaldi. In the scanty notices we are struck by the comparatively large number of students and the small number of professors. It is possible that the Lazarist Fathers were reinforced by professors from St. John's College, but we have no testimony to this effect. What makes it less likely is the fact witnessed to by Bishop McQuaid of Rochester, that in 1844 all the students and the faculty, consisting of Fathers Penco and Borgna, migrated to 50th Street, near 5th Avenue, probably to the building that became afterwards the rectory of the old Church of St. John the Evangelist. We copy from

* See Records and Studies, Vol. III, Part 2, p. 290.

Bishop McQuaid: "The students were removed from Fordham to the old building on 5th Avenue and 50th Street in January, 1844. The Rev. Fathers Penco and Borgna, Lazarists, were superiors and professors. The students numbered about twenty. . . . Mr. Bayley, afterwards Archbishop of Baltimore, here made his immediate preparation for ordination. The seminarists returned to Fordham for the next term in September. Thus the Seminary was maintained at 50th Street for nearly six months. The students were directed, when they went out for a walk on Thursdays and Sundays, not to go to the city, and, lest there should be a mistake made, they were told not to go nearer than 27th Street." As during this excursion to New York the Seminary faculty numbered only two members, it is probable enough, especially in view of the testimony of the Catholic Almanac, that at this early date there were only two professors in the Seminary faculty. Bishop McQuaid does not inform us of the occasion of the migration in 1844. Possibly it may have had something to do with the preparations for the erection of the separate seminary building and the chapel, the cornerstone of which was laid on April 3, 1845. Bishop McCloskey, at that time coadjutor of Bishop Hughes, presided on this occasion. The plans for these buildings were designed by the architect Mr. William Rodrigue, the brother-in-law of Archbishop Hughes. We may remark, by the way, that Mr. Rodrigue became the partner of Mr. James Renwick, who drew the plans for the present St. Patrick's Cathedral. The seminary building and the chapel still exist.

The following extracts from the Catholic Alma-

nac, give, so to say, the official history of St. Joseph's Seminary:

1841. St. Joseph's Seminary, Fordham, had fourteen students. Rev. Felix Villanis, D.D., President.

1842. Twenty-seven students. Rev. Felix Villanis, D.D., President.

1843. Thirty-one students.
Rev. Anthony Penco, President, Priest Con. of Mission.
Rev. Anthony Roadte, professor.

1844. Thirty-one students.
Rev. Anthony Penco, President.
Rev. A. Roadte, professor. Priests of the Con. of Mission.

1845. Twenty students.
Rev. Raphael Rainaldi, Prof. of Theology and Moral Philosophy.

1846. No record.

During these years and perhaps later, while the minor orders and sub-diaconate and diaconate were usually conferred at Fordham, ordinations to the priesthood often took place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, in Mulberry Street. Of these ordinations we have traced the following with dates:

1841. Rev. Miles Maxwell, January 5th.
1841. Rev. J. Mackey, January 5th.
1841. Rev. B. L. Llaneza, January 5th.
1841. Rev. Chas. D. McMullen, December 18th.
1841. Rev. Carberry J. Byrne, December 18th.
1842. Rev. John Harley, June 4th.

1842. Rev. John J. Conroy, June 4th, afterwards Bishop of Albany.
1843. Rev. William Hogan, January 29th.
1843. Rev. Francis Donahue, January 29th.
1843. Rev. Lawrence Carroll, January 29th.
1843. Rev. Anthony Farley, January 29th.
1843. Rev. James Keveney, January 29th.
1844. Rev. Michael McDonnell, March 2d.
1844. Rev. Isaac P. Howell, March 2d.
1844. Rev. James Roosevelt Bayley, March 2d. The Rev. Mr. Bayley was successively Bishop of Newark and Archbishop of Baltimore.
1844. Rev. William McClellan, April 14th.
1844. Rev. Michael Curran, April 14th.
1844. Rev. Michael Riordan, April 14th.
1844. Rev. John Hackett, April 14th.
1844. Rev. John Sheridan, August 15th.
1844. Rev. Thomas McEvoy, August 15th.
1844. Rev. William O'Reilly, August 15th.
1844. Rev. Sylvester Malone, August 15th.
1844. Rev. Matthew Higgins, August 15th.
1844. Rev. George McCloskey, August 15th.
1844. Rev. Patrick Kenny, August 15th.
1845. Rev. Francis. P. McFarland, May 18th, afterwards Bishop of Hartford.
1845. Rev. Valentine Burgos, May 18th.
1845. Rev. Patrick McKenna, May 18th.
1845. Rev. John J. McMenomy, May 18th.
1846. Rev. Patrick Murphy, October 21st.

Our records indicate an interregnum for the year 1846. In that year, as we know from other sources,

Bishop Hughes placed St. John's College and St. Joseph's Seminary in the hands of the Jesuit Fathers. The negotiations were carried on with Father Clement Boulanger, the Superior of the Canadian Mission, and Father Augustus Thébaud, who was made rector of St. John's College as well as of the Seminary. During the next ten years the institution remained under the management of the Jesuit Fathers, who furnished the professors. Their lectures were attended not only by the students of the diocese, but also by the Jesuit scholastics who were preparing for ordination. The course of studies was immediately extended and the faculty enlarged. The following subjects were treated by various professors: Dogmatic Theology, Moral Theology, Holy Scripture, Hebrew, Logic and Philosophy.

In 1851 Ecclesiastical History was added to the above-mentioned subjects. After 1850 Hebrew disappears from the curriculum, probably because no professor was available.

The first president of the Seminary under the new régime was Father Augustus Thébaud, who needs no introduction to our readers. He was a ripe scholar, who in after life wrote many books on Church History and Belles-lettres. His memoirs were published by the United States Catholic Historical Society under the title of "Forty Years in the United States of America."

From 1850 to 1855 Father J. Blaettner was president. He was a tall man, bowed and wearing portentous spectacles, dignified and learned. He had been a secular priest for fifteen years before joining the Society of Jesus; he also had been Canon of the Strasburg

Cathedral and professor in the Episcopal Seminary. He was a modest man, who was highly esteemed by the students of the seminary. Father Charles Maldonado was a Spaniard by birth, whose reputation as a dogmatist extended far and wide in Spain and Mexico, while Father Cicaterri was a scholar well known in Italy. The name best known now among the professors of St. Joseph's Seminary, during the Jesuit period, is that of the Rev. Isidore Daubresse, who for many years presided over the conferences of the clergy of the diocese. It will be remarked that the professors were, with rare exception, of foreign birth and foreign education. To this circumstance must be ascribed the absence of Homiletics from the curriculum of the Seminary.

The change of régime brought with it at first a reduction in the number of the students, but this is true of a few years only. Very soon the student body became more numerous than before, indicating prosperity and success. We repeat from the Catholic Almanac the faculties of St. Joseph's from 1847 to 1855.

1847. Sixteen students of Theology and six of Philosophy.
Rev. Aug. J. Thébaud, S.J., Superior.
Rev. Michael Driscoll, S.J., Director.
V. Rev. Clement Boulanger, S.J., Prof. of Moral Theology.
Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M.
Rev. Chas. Maldonado, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M.

Rev. Thomas Legouais, S.J., Prof. of Holy Scripture.
Rev. W. S. Murphy, S.J., Prof. of Hebrew.
Rev. John Larkin, S.J., Prof. of Logic and Metaphysics.

1848. The Seminary had twenty-five students.
Rev. Aug. J. Thébaud, S.J., Superior.
Rev. M. Driscoll, S.J., Director.
V. Rev. Clement Boulanger, S.J., Prof. of Moral Theology.
Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M., and Metaphysics.
Rev. Charles Maldonado, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M.
Rev. Thomas Legouais, S.J., Prof. of Holy Scripture.
Rev. W. S. Murphy, S.J., Prof. of History.

1849. There were thirty students.
Rev. John Ryan, S.J., Superior.
Rev. L. Guibert, S.J., Prof. of Moral Theology.
Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M., and Holy Scripture.
Rev. Charles Maldonado, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M., Prof. of Logic and Metaphysics.
Rev. W. S. Murphy, S.J., Prof. of Hebrew.

1850. Students, thirty-four.
Rev. J. Blaettner, S.J., Superior and Prof. of Moral Theology.
Rev. F. Cicaterri, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M.

Rev. Charles Maldonado, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M.

Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Metaphysics and Holy Scripture.

Rev. W. S. Murphy, S.J., Prof. of Hebrew.

1851. Students, thirty-one.

Rev. J. Blaettner, S.J., Superior and Prof. of Holy Scripture and Ecclesiastical History.

Rev. F. Cicaterri, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M.

Rev. Francis Sola, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M.

Rev. Francis Tomei, S.J., Prof. of Moral Theology.

Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Philosophy.

1852. Students, thirty.

Rev. John Blaettner, S.J., Superior and Prof. of Moral Theology.

Rev. Francis Sola, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, A.M.

Rev. Joseph Duverney, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology, P.M., and Holy Scripture.

Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Philosophy and Ecclesiastical History.

1853. Rev. John Blaettner, S.J., Superior and Prof. of Moral Theology.

Rev. Charles Maldonado, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology.

Rev. Joseph Duverney, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology and Holy Scripture.

Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Philosophy and Ecclesiastical History.

Reverend Peter Havermans.

1854. Students, forty.
Rev. John Blaettner, S.J., Superior, Prof. of Moral Theology and Sacred Scripture.
Rev. Joseph Duverney, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology.
Rev. Seraphim Schemmel, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology.
Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Philosophy.

1855. Students, forty.
Rev. John Blaettner, S.J., Superior and Prof. of Moral Theology.
Rev. Seraphim Schemmel, S.J., Prof. of Dogmatic Theology.
Rev. Charles Gresselin, S.J., Prof. of Sacred Scripture.
Rev. Isidore Daubresse, S.J., Prof. of Mental Philosophy.

In the course of time differences arose between Archbishop Hughes and the Jesuit authorities. What occasioned these differences is not known, though the fact that most of the Seminary professors were foreigners, that the Superior of the mission resided in Canada, and the provincial at Lyons in France were no doubt calculated to give rise to misunderstandings and to make accommodations more difficult. However that may be, in the year 1856 things came to a crisis, and the Seminary passed from the hands of the Jesuit Fathers into those of the Archbishop. During the years 1847–1856 we note the following dated ordinations:

1847. Rev. James Hourigan, February 7th.
Rev. John Curoe, May 30th.
Rev. Eugene Maguire, May 30th.
Rev. Dennis Wheeler, May 30th.
1848. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid,* January 16th.
Rev. John M. Murphy, January 16th.
Rev. Francis M. Keone, May 3d.
Rev. Thomas Farrell, May 3d.
1849. Rev. Stephen Sheridan, January 14th.
Rev. John Quinn, January 14th.
Rev. John Raufeisen, October 3d.
Rev. John Carroll, December 22d.
Rev. Henry O'Neill, December 22d.
Rev. Patrick McCarthy, December 22d.
1850. Rev. Michael Madden, May 25th.
Rev. Hugh Sweeny, May 25th.
Rev. Daniel Mugan, August 1st.
Rev. Thomas Mulrine, August 1st.
Rev. Thomas McLaughlin, August 1st.
Rev. John Comerford, November 16th.
Rev. Thomas S. Preston, November 16th.
Rev. John Regan, November 16th.
Rev. John Murray Forbes, November 16th.
1851. Rev. Eugene Cassidy, July 19th.

Archbishop Bayley's list in his "History of the Church in the Diocese of New York," besides the names above given, contains the following names, but without date of ordination. The first were probably ordained before 1844, the others after.

* Bishop McQuaid informs us that Fr. Oriellette, S.J., was ordained with him.

Rev. James O'Sullivan.
Rev. John Boyle.
Rev. Edward Reilly.
Rev. John Quinn.
Rev. Thomas Dunn.
Rev. Thomas Doran.
Rev. Thomas Daly.
Rev. James Coyle.
Rev. Titus Joslin.
Rev. Cornelius Delahanty.
Rev. A. J. Donnelly.
Rev. Patrick Egan.
Rev. Bernard Farrell.
Rev. Patrick McGovern.
Rev. Thomas Mooney.
Rev. William Everett.

When, in 1856, Archbishop Hughes resumed the control of St. Joseph's Seminary, he placed it in charge of secular priests belonging to his own diocese. We copy from the Catholic Almanac the faculties of the Seminary from 1856–1861.

1856. Rev. B. Farrell.
Rev. P. McCarron.
Rev. F. McNeirny.
Rev. A. J. Donnelly, Procurator.
1857. Rev. W. P. Morrogh, D.D.
Rev. P. McCarron.
Rev. A. J. Donnelly, Procurator.
1858. Rev. W. P. Morrogh, Superior.
Rev. Richard Brennan.
Rev. William H. Neligan, LL.D.

1859. The same.
1860. Rev. W. P. Morrogh, D.D., Superior.
Rev. G. A. Rimsal.
Rev. Richard Brennan.

It is to be remarked that the gentlemen mentioned as the authorities of the Seminary have no special subjects assigned to them. The elder men among them were parish priests, whom zeal led to step into the breach when the Archbishop was in the position of having a seminary without a faculty. Father McNeirny, afterwards Bishop of Albany, was the Archbishop's secretary, and Fathers Neligan, Brennan, and Rimsal were young priests not very long ordained, who were regarded as men of unusual abilities. The records offered to us by the Catholic Almanac, without assignment of departments and without a single name identified with the education of candidates for the priesthood, give the impression of a makeshift, not of a permanent organization. Either at this time or somewhat later, Archbishop Hughes asked the Sulpician Fathers to assume charge of the Seminary, but they declined. It must have become clear to the Archbishop that it would be impossible permanently to draft a seminary faculty from his diocesan clergy, which at the time was sadly in need of additions. All these considerations no doubt suggested to him the idea of securing a seminary faculty in Europe, and of establishing a provincial rather than a diocesan seminary. They were reinforced by an unfortunate scandal, which at this time stained the reputation of one of the Seminary professors, the

Rev. George Rimsal (Ruhmsal). This unfortunate man not only contracted marriage while at the Seminary, but began a course of lectures attacking the Church, which did not, however, go beyond the first lecture.* So various things conspired to impress on Archbishop Hughes the idea that it was wise to abandon Fordham as the seat of the diocesan seminary, and the way was opened to the establishment of St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary at Troy.

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* The subsequent career of the Rev. Mr. Rimsal is not without interest. His initial attempts to earn his living *a la Gavazzi*, by lecturing against the Church he had left, completely failed. He next tried the law, but seems to have been far from successful, since during the Civil War he enlisted as a private soldier. Meantime he was a conscience-stricken man, and after the death of her who was called his wife, its pricks became so stinging that they left him no peace. About the year 1869 he sought an interview with Father Joseph Shea, S.J., a man noted both for his wisdom and his kindness. Through his good offices, he found his way to Rome, and after giving an earnest of his good intentions, by doing penance for a year in a Roman monastery, he was absolved and permitted to resume his priestly functions. In view of his notoriety he was advised not to return to the United States, and accordingly he wended his way to the Far East. At that time the English were at war with the Afghans, and Rimsal was appointed military chaplain to a British regiment, under the name of Father Brown. He distinguished himself in this capacity, and on the conclusion of the war was appointed to a rectorship in the city of Bombay. His ability and his activity there made so favorable an impression that on the bishop's death his name was sent among those of the candidates for the succession. He was not chosen. The disappointment seems to have stung him so sorely as to reawaken in him all his unsteady elements, and not long afterwards he abandoned his place and left for Europe. He was next heard of as a faith healer in Scotland. What became of him afterwards is uncertain, though statements have been made that he is now an Episcopal clergyman.

PREFACE.

THIS sketch was written at the request of many friends who were anxious to preserve some memories dear to them and of concern to the Church in America, and who knew that the author was about the only one in full possession of the early history of old St. Joseph's on Ida Hill in modern Troy. It is not claimed that the record is as complete as its readers will wish it to be; too many documents that would have made it more interesting could not be found or reached. However, the fragments here collected will have their historical value, and will, I am confident, be welcomed by the surviving Trojans, whether ordained at Troy or at other schools of theological learning. They have been carefully gathered and jotted down more in the unconventional form and style of a chronicle than of a regular history. They are the last conference of their professor and president to his former pupils.

OGDENSBURG, May 5th, 1905.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

OF

ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY, TROY, N. Y.

CHAPTER I.

FOUNDATION.

St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary owed its existence to the zeal for clerical education of the great Archbishop John Hughes of New York. Attempts to establish a theological seminary for the extensive diocese of New York, both under Bishop Dubois and himself at Nyack, at Lafargeville, and at Fordham had resulted in failure. The last institution, after being first in the hands of the Lazarists, then of the Jesuit Fathers and, finally, of seculars, had been closed in 1862.

The very same year, however, a possibility to start a new seminary presented itself. The Troy University, founded in the fifties by the Methodists, failed through maladministration in 1860, and its main building, the only one then erected, was privately offered for sale by the trustees, with its forty acres of ground, to save it from falling under the hammer of the auctioneer. The structure alone had cost about

$192,000, while the land had been donated to the corporation by several citizens of Troy who reserved a right to free scholarships for future students in their families. Here was an opportunity which did not escape the practical eye of the famous Rev. Peter Havermans, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Troy. He reported the situation to the Archbishop of New York, and with the latter's approval and aid he purchased the abandoned university for the sum of $60,000 in the depreciated currency of the time,—a bargain indeed.

But, to make the house a seminary, instructors were needed, and these were not easy to procure in a province where the Church had to employ all her available priests in the rapidly growing missions of the country. Archbishop Hughes decided to appeal to Europe for help. At his request the Bishop of Albany, later Cardinal McCloskey, crossed the ocean in 1863 and asked the Sulpician priests of Paris to send a staff of their associates to take charge of the new seminary of Troy. But these experienced masters of clerical training did not deem it prudent by the establishment of a third seminary to weaken their already existing establishments in Montreal and Baltimore; and, besides, they did not think that they could successfully govern an institution which had no enclosure and gates; and so they declined the offer. Disappointed, but not discouraged, Bishop McCloskey, together with Bishop Fitzpatrick, of Boston, who was spending two years in Europe for his health, applied for professors to the Archbishop of Mechlin, in Belgium, Cardinal Sterckx, who likewise refused, for want, as it seems, of subjects,

but who advised the envoys to try the diocese of Ghent. Here finally they succeeded.

Mgr. Louis Joseph Delebecque († 1864), the twenty-first bishop of Ghent, had always shown a great zeal for undertakings that would promote and extend the Catholic religion, and so had favored many missions by allowing his priests to go and labor abroad. Many of his subjects had entered the lately established American College of Louvain, while others were already at work in the United States. We may add here, as another mark of his zeal, that it was under his inspiration and guidance that the modern Peter's Pence, now taken up all over the Catholic world, was instituted in his diocese in 1858, and soon became of great help to the Holy See.

Bishop Delebecque no sooner heard of the proposed seminary and of his desired coöperation, than he promised his assistance and at once devised the means of supplying it with professors from his own clergy. Aided in the selection by the Very Rev. John De Neve, one of the missionaries who had with his consent gone to America in 1856, and who was now rector of the American College of Louvain, he chose as president the Very Rev. Canon Louis Joseph Vandenhende († 1901), who was teaching Moral Theology in his diocesan seminary, and gave him as colaborers, after requesting their consent for an absence of five years, the Rev. Charles Roelants, S.T.B. († 1901), the Rev. Peter A. Puissant, S.T.B., now a canon in Ghent, and the Rev. Henry Gabriels, S.T.L., now bishop of Ogdensburg, all three graduates of the Catholic University of Louvain. Before his departure from Belgium, Father

Vandenhende, as he will henceforth be called, received the degree of Doctor in Theology, *honoris causa*, from the same University (July, 1864).

Besides these four priests, Mgr. Delebecque procured also for Troy helpers in its material administration. He asked the congregation of the Brothers of Good Works, now Brothers of Our Lady of Lourdes, of Renaix, to give some of their subjects to attend to part of the domestic work at the Seminary. The request from such a source was cheerfully complied with, and Brother Alphonsus, as superior, Brother Engelbert and Brother Ephrem were chosen to accompany the professors.

But at that time the United States, where these gentlemen were to labor, was in fact disunited, and the country was still in the throes of its four years' Civil War (1861–1865). Would it be possible or advisable to start the new institution before the conclusion of the gigantic struggle? There were serious reasons for doubt. Although events were beginning clearly to foreshadow the defeat of the Confederacy, yet nothing was certain, and, besides, the financial condition of the country—gold running up at one time to a premium of 260 in paper—threw doubts on the success of this new and extensive undertaking.

It was therefore deemed prudent that Father Vandenhende should leave Belgium, in advance of his faculty, in order to examine the situation. If he found conditions satisfactory he was to invite the professors to follow him. This arrangement was arrived at after due consultation with Bishop Fitzpatrick, who himself was on his way home; consequently

the two travelers set out on their voyage from Liverpool for Halifax and New York by way of Ostend and London in August, 1864.

While they were tarrying in the huge British capital an incident occurred which elicited a smile from those who knew the retiring disposition of Father Vandenhende. Needing a guide to some point of interest in the city, he was entrusted by Bishop Fitzpatrick to young Eugene Healy, who was returning with them to his native country. The lad, then sixteen years old, happened to pass with his charge a cricket field where chosen teams were playing a public game. He could not resist the impulse to witness the sport and, forgetting all about his errand, he kept the wondering but patient priest for fully two hours, witnessing, though unwillingly, a pastime to him hitherto unknown. But what could the poor man do? He waited until his guide was ready to proceed, and then no doubt pronounced himself too old and too settled in his habits to learn the points of the English pastime.

On his arrival at Troy Father Vandenhende found the proposed seminary building, although far from completed, quite satisfactory: for he wrote to the Belgian professors to come on without delay, so that the Seminary might be opened in the following October. They at once made the necessary preparations to sail at the beginning of that month.

Bishop Delebecque showed himself most enthusiastic about the expected success of his coöperation in the work of the Seminary. After the dinner to which he had invited his missionaries, he paternally embraced them with a Godspeed kiss and gave to Father Roelants

his own oil-stock for emergency cases during the voyage.

Alas! he knew not that he was thus depriving himself of the benefit of Extreme Unction. This happened on Friday, and on the following Sunday morning, just as our little steamboat, "The Alster," was weighing anchor at Antwerp for a stormy twenty-four-hour voyage to Hull, the holy prelate was stricken with a fatal heart trouble. His secretary, not finding the sacred oils in the ambry of the chapel, rummaged the Bishop's room for the needed *Oleum infirmorum*, which of course he could not find, and meanwhile Mgr. Delebecque expired unaneled. We heard rumors of his death at Liverpool, but learned it as a certainty only when we received the first Belgian papers in Troy. Had the sad event occurred two days sooner, the Seminary of Troy might have had quite a different history.

Leaving Liverpool October 5th, on the "City of Washington" of the Inman Line, at that time considered one of the best ocean greyhounds, and tarrying a few hours at Queenstown, where we had the first glimpse of Irish life, the seminary party, three priests and three brothers, accompanied by nine other priests, five of whom were alumni of the American College of Louvain, landed in New York on the morning of October 17th. Father Vandenhende had come from Troy to receive them, and by him they were brought to the Cathedral in Mulberry Street, where they were welcomed by the new archbishop, Mgr. McCloskey, Archbishop Hughes having died on the preceding January 3d, and by his kind vicar-general, the genial

Father Starr. In the evening they left for Troy by the Hudson River boat "C. Vanderbilt," which they admired for its beauty and size, while wondering at the blackness of the hands that served their supper thereon. They had never been so closely in contact with "darkies."

CHAPTER II.

BEGINNINGS. (1864–1865.)

Landing in Troy during the frosty morning hours of the 18th of October, they wended their way, amid the charred ruins of several blocks of houses which had been devoured by the big fire of 1862, up to Mount Ida, on which they had already from afar seen the pretentious structure with its six steeples, that, after having been a Methodist college for a few years, was now to be a nursery of Catholic priests. Curious of course they were to explore the grounds which facetious Bishop Fitzpatrick had described to Mgr. Delebecque as a pretty park with a lake and trees and brooks and well laid out roads. That they were disappointed can easily be believed by those who were familiar with the premises at that time. The trees were a number of cotton poplars, broken or grown out of shape; the brooks were streamlets which dried up during summer; the lake was a small artificial pond; the roads, long uncared for, were anything but smooth. How different the place is at present! But such as it was then, it did not discourage the newcomers. They intended not to live in an Eden, but to work for the good of religion, and this could be done even in a quasi-desert.

1, RT. REV. LOUIS JOS. DELEBECQUE. 2, RT. REV. DAVID W. BACON. 3, RT. REV. JOHN B. FITZPATRICK. 4, RT. REV. HENRI F. BRACQ. 5, RT. REV. F. P. McFARLAND

This date, October 18, 1864, was the real "commencement" day of St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary. Six bishops of the then New York province had agreed to use it for their respective dioceses; they were Archbishop McCloskey of New York, Bishops Fitzpatrick of Boston, McFarland of Hartford, Bacon of Portland, de Goesbriand of Burlington, and Administrator Conroy of Albany. The bishops of Newark and Buffalo had their own seminaries, and the bishop of Brooklyn preferred to have his seminarians continue their studies under the direction of regulars.

Five professors and a procurator were the members of the new faculty. They were:

The Very Rev. Louis Joseph Canon Vandenhende, D.D. († 1901), superior, and professor of Church History and some minor branches;

The Rev. Alexander Sherwood Healy († 1875), until a short time before chancellor of the diocese of Boston, professor of Moral Theology and director (prefect of discipline);

The Rev. Charles Roelants, S.T.B. († 1901), professor of Sacred Scripture;

The Rev. Peter A. Puissant, S.T.B., professor of Philosophy;

The Rev. Henry Gabriels, S.T.L., professor of Dogmatic Theology;

The Rev. Patrick W. Tandy († 1901), then recently ordained in Montreal, procurator.

That the establishment of a Catholic seminary in the "University City" caused a sensation is easy to understand. The Catholics were delighted and looked with

pride on their new acquisition and on its inmates. An old Irishwoman voiced in her own way the sentiments of all when, meeting the seminarians on their regulation walk, she curtsied to the whole band, saying with unfeigned happiness: "God bless your reverences!"

The Protestants, however, were most of them rather suspicious of the character of the newcomers. What, some said, is Rome going to do in Troy? A neighbor, Mrs. W., who had been much annoyed by depredations of the former inmates in her orchard, could not but apprehend more disagreeable relations with "these papists." But gradually the Seminary gained the respect of all, and Mrs. W. and her family, surprised at the correct behavior of the young men of St. Joseph's, not only amended their opinion of them, but became sincere friends of the institution.

The Seminary was opened for work on the feast of St. Raphael, October 24, with a three days' retreat. There were about seventy students in attendance, of whom fifty, mostly tyros, were to study theology and twenty philosophy. The entire course was intended to last four years, one of philosophy and three of theology. After December, on account of the destruction of the Seminary of Niagara Falls, many new seminarians came to pursue their studies in St. Joseph's. These, with some other accessions, raised the total number of our students to about a hundred.

The accommodations in the new institution were far from being agreeable or complete. Only the southern part of the building and the chapel in the middle had been prepared for occupation by the introduction of steam and gas, instead of the old stoves.

and oil lamps. The radiators of the steam apparatus had been located in the corridors only, and one can imagine what the poor student quartered on the west side had to suffer when the wintry winds blew from the Mohawk valley, and the temperature was sometimes far below zero. There were not even double windows to shut out Boreas more effectually. Happily these defects were corrected after one year's experience, at least in regard to the heaters, when the northern part of the building was put in shape for the next school year, 1865–1866.

Outside, the grounds showed neglect and desolation. They were almost bare and the roads were wretched. It took years of labor and expense to change the surroundings into the beautiful place which it is to-day. Alumni of various periods remember how much care was given to the transformation by the successive procurators, Fathers Tandy, Edwards, Puissant, and Fivez.

Those of the first two years will also remember the man of all work, good Patrick Cunningham, who had been the servant of the lately deceased Archbishop Hughes. The poor fellow was a consumptive, but he wanted to be useful to the last, and he was indefatigable in his endeavors to render service where he could. As he was growing weaker, he found the ascent of the "gentle declivity of Ida Hill," as the mountain was termed by a paper, too hard for his breath, and he purchased at a ridiculous price an ancient buggy and a superannuated horse which Jerry O'Donnell soon immortalized in his song:

"Smiler was a noble steed, etc."

What was the result? We more than once saw the blowing equine lazily drawing the empty vehicle up the hill and his merciful master trudging patiently alongside. He had not the heart to overtax the strength of his faithful quadruped. Neither of the two, as can well be surmised, was to last very long.

The first months of the Seminary were a period of organization in many respects. While the poor procurator was paying double and more for many things needed, and this with very limited means and, so to say, no sources of supply, there was frequently a lack of ordinary commodities and desiderata which sometimes caused suffering and discontent. No strict rule, at least no rule such as they had before lived under in other institutions, was forced upon the young men, whom Father Vandenhende preferred to leave to their sense of honor as gentlemen. Naturally one or another abused this liberty and, "*nitentes in vetitum,*" went beyond the tolerated limit. It was then that, to their dismay, they found the "old man," as he was affectionately called, a wise and strict disciplinarian. For their own good and for the example of others, they were summarily dismissed and no intercession was strong enough to have them reinstated. A few lessons, however, went far to correct the evil.

On more than one occasion, nevertheless, it was hard to maintain the traditional discipline of a seminary. By the end of 1864 the Union armies began to carry everything before them in the South, and all the great military events of these thrilling times were anxiously watched, and victories enthusiastically cheered at St. Joseph's. Sherman's march through

Georgia, the surrender of Charleston, and other successes could not fail to reach the ears of the students and to arouse their patriotism. Thus the second-mentioned triumph was celebrated by an impromptu illumination of the front windows of the house and by a gentle mobbing of the only "copperhead" in the Seminary. The demonstration of course was against the rules, and against charity as well, and it was quickly stopped by the superior, who was promptly obeyed; but new victories did not on that account fail to be received with vigorous cheers. The Southern sympathizer had then to pay in other ways for his treasonable feelings. Even of clerics, when their patriotic feelings are aroused, we may well repeat the poet's question:

"Tantaene animis coelestibus irae?"

CHAPTER III.

BLESSING OF THE SEMINARY.

THE formal inauguration of the Seminary by its solemn blessing took place on December 1, 1864. All the bishops interested in the institution, and many members of the clergy of their respective dioceses took part in the ceremony. Archbishop McCloskey performed the rite and also afterward preached the sermon. The Pontifical Mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Louis de Goesbriand, first bishop of Burlington. Afterward the prelates held a meeting at which it was decided to name the Seminary in honor of St. Joseph, to whom the seminary at Fordham also had been dedicated. Father Vandenhende had presented the name of St. Raphael because it was on the feast of this archangel that the house had commenced its work; but the bishops preferred to name the new institution after the patron of the Church and of the former New York sister institution.

CHAPTER IV.

FIRST ORDINATION.

On Saturday of the Ember week of December, 1864, the first ordination at the Seminary was held by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Burlington. The candidates were a few clerics who had been prepared for Holy Orders in other institutions. The gentlemen ordained priests were:

Rev. Joseph H. Cassin (transient), Boston;
died pastor of the church of the Assumption, Boston, 1896.

Rev. William J. Hussey, New York;
died assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, New York, 1865.

A few subdeacons and minorists also were ordained.

Henceforth I shall note the year, not the date or month of the ordinations to the priesthood.

During 1865 were thus promoted:

Rev. James Fitzsimmons, New York;
died pastor of St. Andrew's church, New York, 1898.

Rev. Hugh S. O'Hare, New York;
absent.

Rev. Daniel J. O'Dwyer, Burlington;
died pastor of the church of St. Francis of Sales, Bennington, Vt., 1883.

Rev. James J. Moriarty, Albany;
died pastor of St. John's church, Utica, 1887.
Rev. John McDonald, Albany;
died pastor of Potsdam, N. Y., 1879.

The first school year of St. Joseph's closed during the last week of June, 1865, after a four days' written examination and was followed by the summer vacation, the only one that was granted for years. It lasted until the first week of September.

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CHAPTER V.

1865–1866.

During the year 1865–1866, the Seminary was attended by seventy-nine theologians and twenty-three philosophers. Among the latter was Mr. John M. Farley, who left the following year to pursue his studies in Rome. The new seminarian was to be the illustrious successor of Archbishops Hughes, McCloskey, and Corrigan as metropolitan of the great province of New York.

This year the faculty was enlarged by the appointment of the Rev. Michael Mullen, a Maynooth alumnus, as professor of Philosophy. Father Healy surrendered the chair of Moral Theology to Father Puissant and busied himself with rubrics and music, as well as with the spiritual direction of the students.

Father Mullen was bright, but not strong in health. The priests of the time may remember his caustic novel, "The Two Lovers of Flavia Domitilla" in the *Catholic World*, which was stopped after four instalments, by order of Archbishop McCloskey. He left the Seminary in September, 1866, to return to New York, whence too he soon withdrew. He died in 1869 as chaplain of the House of the Good Shepherd in Chicago. Father Mullen was a constant contributor to various magazines, both in Ireland and in America.

Bishop Conroy, meantime, was appointed to the see of Albany, of which he had been the administrator after the promotion of Bishop McCloskey to the see of New York. His consecration by the metropolitan took place in the cathedral of Albany, November 15, 1865. All the seminarians had been invited, and under the direction of Father Healy they sang the solemn litany. As a return of the compliment the new prelate brought the following day an illustrious company of bishops and priests to visit the Seminary and to partake of such hospitality as it could afford. I remember especially Archbishop Purcell of Cincinnati, a former teacher of the new bishop, who had preached an eloquent consecration sermon.

From January, 1866, to December following, these students were promoted to the priesthood:

Rev. Bartholomew B. Grattan, Albany;
died pastor of the church of St. John the Baptist, Buffalo, 1902.

Rev. Michael J. Griffith, Albany;
pastor of Fort Edward, N. Y.

Rev. James B. Harrigan, Albany;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, Troy, N. Y., 1883.

Rev. Thomas Kane, Hartford;
died pastor of Valley Falls, R. I., 1892.

Rev. Hugh J. Shields, Albany;
died pastor of Ausable Forks, N. Y., 1881.

Rev. Joseph Taney, Albany;
died pastor of Mineville, N. Y., 1880.

Rev. Michael Tierney, Hartford;
bishop of Hartford, 1894.

Rev. John Edwards, New York;
vicar-general of New York, Domestic Prelate, pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, New York.
Rev. John Brogan, New York;
pastor of Epworth, Iowa.
Rev. John McCauley, New York;
died, retired, 1893.
Rev. Michael B. McEvoy, New York;
died pastor of St. Raymond's church, Westchester, 1884.
Rev. Bernard McManus, Albany;
died pastor of Johnstown, N. Y., 1873.
Rev. Daniel O'Connell, Albany;
died pastor of Cooperstown, N. Y., 1899.
Rev. John Gray, Boston;
died pastor of St. James' church, Salem, Mass., 1893.

In May, 1866, the Rev. Patrick Tandy was recalled to New York by the Archbishop, and the Rev. John Edwards, then only a deacon, was chosen to succeed him. The first procurator of the new institution had sustained an unpleasant struggle with an almost impossible situation, and he must have felt it a great relief to be freed from the vast responsibility of fighting an ever-increasing deficit. He died pastor of St. Jerome's, Mott Haven, N. Y., April 21, 1901, aged 64 years.

At the end of the scholastic year Mr. Edwards was called to the priesthood, being ordained in July, 1866. Shortly after, he began his labors as the successor of

Father Tandy. All who are acquainted with him know that he was equal to the gigantic task. He put the books in order, provided for the most pressing debts, and withal gave satisfaction to the physical wants of the students. For seven years he labored day and night, and retired in 1873, on account of his health, when he could leave his charge with confidence of success in the hands of his friend and colleague Father Puissant. What his career has been since then, I need not say. The trusted adviser and friend of his superiors and fellow priests; the ready helper of all in need; the wise director of many religious communities; the zealous pastor of an important congregation;—no wonder that Leo XIII of his own accord, to the great satisfaction of his archbishop and of all his friends, made him one of his Domestic Prelates, and that Archbishop Farley, in 1903, made him one of his vicars-general. To the writer he was ever more than a friend; he was a true brother.

CHAPTER VI.

1866–1867.

In September, 1866, some one hundred and five theologians and sixteen philosophers were within the walls of the Seminary. There would have been more, but some of the bishops sent their clerics to Canada either to learn French or from motives of economy, because their education was cheaper there, the value of the United States currency being now almost equal to that of gold. Hence Troy was partially neglected.

Father Michael Mullen, as was said before, resigned his chair of Philosophy in September, 1866, to return to New York. He was not replaced this year. Father Vandenhende himself taught the principal branch of the class and assigned the other branches to other professors.

From January, 1867, to December of the same year the following priests were ordained:

Rev. John G. Flynn, Hartford;
died pastor of Cranston, R. I., 1885.

Rev. James T. Chorlton, Hartford;
died assistant at the cathedral, Providence, 1868.

Rev. John Murphy, Portland;
died vicar-general of Portland, pastor of St. Dominic's church, Portland, 1892.

Rev. William P. Flannelly, New York;
died pastor of St. Cecilia's church, New York, 1884.
Rev. Thomas Kenny, Boston;
professor in Troy, died, retired, 1873.
Rev. James Smith, Albany;
died in the diocese of Denver, 1891.
Rev. Albert A. Lings, New York;
rural dean, Commissary for the Orientals, pastor of St. Joseph's church, Yonkers, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Lowery, D.D., Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Troy, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick G. McKenna, Hartford;
died pastor of New Milford, Conn., 1873.
Rev. James P. Magee, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas P. Neade, New York;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, New York, 1873.
Rev. John B. Purcell, Boston;
died assistant at the cathedral, Boston, 1870.
Rev. Patrick Power, Boston;
died, retired, 1870.
Rev. Michael J. Brennan, New York;
assistant at St. Veronica's church, New York.
Rev. William Connelly, Albany;
died pastor of St. Joseph's church, Green Island, N. Y., 1897.
Rev. Patrick J. Daly, New York;
died pastor of Purdy's Station, N. Y., 1877.
Rev. James Dougherty, New York;
pastor of St. Gabriel's church, New York.

Rev. Terence J. Early, New York;
pastor of Irvington, N. Y.
Rev. John Quinn, New York;
died assistant in San Rafael, Cal., 1876.
Rev. John J. McDonnell, Albany;
died pastor of Saratoga, N. Y., 1899.

New brothers came to reinforce the first colony and to replace those who had to return to Belgium. Of the latter was Brother Alphonsus, whom ill health compelled to give up his work at Troy. He accompanied Fathers Roelants, Puissant, and Gabriels on their first visit to their native country, in June, 1867, and died a few years after at the mother-house of the congregation. Brother Rochus († 1881) succeeded him as superior.

CHAPTER VII.

1867–1868.

THE scholastic year 1867–1868 found one hundred and forty-five students enrolled on the lists of the Seminary: one hundred and ten for theology, and thirty-five for philosophy. Of these the following were ordained from January to December, 1868:

Rev. George C. Murphy, New York;
died assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York, 1882.

Rev. Michael M. Clune, Hartford;
died pastor of the church of the Assumption, Providence, R. I., 1888.

Rev. James Creary, Louisville;
absent.

Rev. James A. Fitzsimon, Hartford;
died pastor of Ashton, R. I., 1905.

Rev. James M. Galligan, New York;
died pastor of the church of the Holy Name, New York, 1901.

Rev. Michael Green, Boston;
died pastor of Newton, Mass., 1885.

Rev. William Halligan, Hartford;
died pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, Pawtucket, R. I., 1898.

John Edwards

Rev. James Keenan, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Transfiguration, New York, 1874.
Rev. Michael J. Burns, Boston;
died after long illness, 1901.
Rev. Patrick Loughran, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Epiphany, New York, 1876.
Rev. Patrick Lynch;
died assistant at Binghamton, N. Y., 1869.
Rev. Peter McCourt, New York;
died pastor of Matteawan, N. Y., 1877.
Rev. Lewis Mutsaers-Wilde, Portland;
pastor of Hinsdale, N. H.
Rev. John O'Brien, Boston;
pastor of the Sacred Heart church, Cambridge, Mass., editor of *Sacred Heart Review.*
Rev. Edwin J. O'Haire, Albany;
died secretary of Bishop Wadhams, Ogdensburg, 1878.
Rev. Thomas W. Reilly, Albany;
died pastor of Whitesboro, N. Y., 1896.
Rev. Peter Ronan, Boston;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Dorchester, Mass.
Rev. James Rooney, Albany;
died absent.
Rev. Arthur J. Teeling, Boston;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Lynn, Mass., Domestic Prelate.
Rev. Thomas E. Walsh, Albany;
died vicar-general of Ogdensburg, pastor of St. John's church, Plattsburgh, N. Y., 1901.

Rev. Charles Craven, Albany;
died assistant at St. Mary's, Troy, N. Y., 1869.
Rev. Michael C. O'Farrell, New York;
pastor of Holy Innocents' church, New York.
Rev. Bernard Plunkett, Hartford;
died in Hartford, 1879.
Rev. Edward N. Thornton, Albany;
died pastor of Newport, N. Y., 1877.
Rev. Thomas J. Ducey, New York;
pastor of St. Leo's church, New York.
Rev. Edward A. Dunphy, New York;
professor in Troy; died pastor of Rossville, N. Y., 1883.
Rev. John J. Furlong, Hartford;
died pastor of Rockville, Conn., 1902.
Rev. Bartholomew Galligan, New York;
died pastor of White Plains, N. Y., 1884.
Rev. Tobias M. Glenn, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Watertown, N. Y., rural dean.
Rev. John M. Kremmin, Boston;
died pastor of Southbridge, Mass., 1886.
Rev. John McParland, Albany;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, Syracuse, N. Y., 1870.
Rev. Florence McCarthy, Albany;
died pastor of Mineville, N. Y., 1901.
Rev. Francis Martin, New York;
died assistant at St. James' church, New York, 1874.
Rev. Patrick O'Sullivan, Albany;
died, retired, 1873.

Rev. John P. Ryan, Boston;
died pastor of Hopkinton, Mass., 1881.

In September, 1867, the chair of Philosophy was taken by the Rev. Thomas Kenny ('67) of Boston. His health, however, prevented the new professor from teaching more than a year. He felt obliged to resign in 1868, and died of consumption at his home in 1873.

CHAPTER VIII.

1868–1869.

Two professors were added to the faculty: the Rev. Hugh Shields, S.T.B., of the diocese of Albany, who after his ordination had studied two years at Louvain; and the Rev. Peter Schmidt, also of the diocese of Albany, who had pursued his theological course in France. The former lectured on Philosophy, the latter on Church History. Both remained only two years. The following clerics were ordained from January to December, 1869:

Rev. Antoine D. Bernard, Hartford;
assistant at Ashton, R. I.

Rev. Martin J. Brophy, New York;
died pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, New York, 1890.

Rev. Henry P. Baxter, New York;
died pastor of Haverstraw, N. Y., 1891.

Rev. David Brown, Albany;
died assistant at cathedral, Albany, 1872.

Rev. Michael Callaghan, New York;
died director of the mission of Our Lady of the Rosary, New York, 1896.

Rev. Owen Conlan, Portland;
died pastor of Calais, Me., 1888.

Rev. John J. Duddy, Portland;
died pastor of Somersworth, N. H., 1905.

Rev. Joseph H. Gallagher, Boston;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Boston.
Rev. Patrick Goodwin, Hartford;
died pastor of East Hartford, Conn., 1877.
Rev. Daniel Healy, Boston;
died pastor of Weymouth, Mass., 1892.
Rev. John C. Henry, New York;
pastor of the Guardian Angels' church, New York.
Rev. Michael F. Higgins, Boston;
died pastor of the Gate of Heaven church, Boston, 1886.
Rev. John J. Kennedy, Albany;
vicar-general of Syracuse, pastor of St. Lucy's, Syracuse, Domestic Prelate.
Rev. John P. McClancy, New York;
pastor of Middletown, N. Y., rural dean.
Rev. John J. McLoughlin, Burlington;
director in Troy Seminary, sick.
Rev. John J. McNamee, New York;
chaplain of Mount St. Vincent, N. Y.
Rev. Lawrence J. Morris, Boston;
died pastor of the Assumption church, Brookline, Mass., 1900.
Rev. Patrick Muldoon, Albany;
sick.
Rev. Michael Mullany, Albany;
died pastor of Middle Granville, N. Y., 1891.
Rev. James E. O'Brien, Boston;
died pastor of St. Peter's church, Cambridge, Mass., 1888.

Rev. Eugene M. O'Callaghan, Portland;
vicar-general of Manchester, pastor of St. John's church, Concord, Domestic Prelate.
Rev. Joseph B. Reid, Hartford;
died secretary of Bishop Galberry, 1878.
Rev. John Scully, Albany;
died pastor of St. John's church, Schenectady, 1886.
Rev. Stephen P. Sheffrey, Hartford;
died pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, New Haven, Conn., 1881.
Rev. Martin C. Stanton, Albany;
retired.
Rev. Michael Walsh, Boston;
died pastor of North Brookfield, Mass., 1885.
Rev. Thomas F. Welsh, New York;
died assistant at St. Gabriel's church, New York, 1871.
Rev. Damase Archambault, Albany;
died pastor of Brushton, N. Y., 1875.
Rev. John Craven, Albany;
was pastor of Copenhagen, N. Y., sick.
Rev. Moses J. Fournier, Albany;
died pastor of St. Mary's church, Oswego, 1901.
Rev. William B. Nyhan, Albany;
pastor of Brasher Falls, N. Y.
Rev. James Scanlon, Albany;
died pastor of Rouse's Point, N. Y., 1880.
Rev. William F. Brady, New York;
assistant at Holy Trinity church, New York.

Rev. James A. Mullen, New York;
pastor of the Sacred Heart church, High Bridge, N. Y.

The Very Rev. Canon Vandenhende, after five years of strenuous work, thought himself entitled to a respite if not to an entire release from his onerous duties. He sailed for Belgium toward the end of June, 1869, and chancing to meet there the Most Rev. Archbishop McCloskey, who was on his way to the Vatican Council, he offered him his resignation. But the prelate begged him to return for two years more, which he agreed to do. He was back in Troy by the beginning of October.

Meanwhile the Rev. Alexander Sherwood Healy had accompanied to Rome the archbishop of Boston, Mgr. Williams, to be his theologian during the Council, which was to open on the 8th of December; this led him to resign his office as director of the Seminary. Father Vandenhende had proposed to Archbishop McCloskey, as his successor in this office, the Rev. John McLoughlin, ordained during the summer, and with the consent of Mgr. de Goesbriand the young priest had been appointed. This was the only change in the faculty for the scholastic year, 1869–1870.

The Rev. Alexander Sherwood Healy on his return was appointed to the cathedral of Boston. After the promotion of his brother James to the bishopric of Portland in June, 1875, he was chosen to succeed him as rector of St. James' church in the same city, but he did not long govern that important parish. In July of the same year he felt the first symptoms of consumption and died October 21, 1875, aged only

thirty-nine years. At his funeral a Pontifical Mass was sung by Archbishop Williams, who also delivered a touching eulogy.

Father Healy was an able theologian, an interesting lecturer, and a fine musician. It was he who composed the first Statutes of the Diocese of Boston, as well as a much used Grammar of Plain Chant; he also introduced the so-called "Troy Magnificat."

MAGNIFICAT.
Trojan Version.
Mag - - - - ni - ficat, anima . . . . . me - a Dominum.
Et exultavit spiritus me - us, in Deo salu - ta - ri me - o.
Mag - - - - ni - ficat, anima . . . . . me - a Dominum.
Et exultavit spiritus me - us, in Deo salu - ta - ri me - o.

CHAPTER IX.

1869–1870.

The school year 1869–1870 commenced with one hundred and five students, of whom eighty-three studied theology and twenty-two philosophy.

From January to December 31, 1870, the following ordinations took place at the Seminary:

Rev. William J. Bourke, Albany;
died pastor of St. John's church, Utica, 1887.

Rev. Andrew Canary, New York;
died, retired, 1897.

Rev. James H. Conlan, Boston;
retired.

Rev. Philip J. Garrigan, Boston;
director in the Seminary, pastor of Fitchburg, Mass., vice-rector of the Catholic University, first bishop of Sioux City, Iowa.

Rev. John J. Hayden, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Gloversville, N. Y.

Rev. Joseph H. Hayne, New York;
died pastor of Irvington, N. Y., 1902.

Rev. Patrick J. Healy, New York;
died pastor of Brewsters, N. Y., 1889.

Rev. James Kelly, Albany;
sick.

Rev. Walter Henneberry, Springfield;
died pastor of Greenfield, Mass., 1881.
Rev. Martin R. Lawlor, Hartford;
died, retired, 1904.
Rev. James S. M. Lynch, Albany;
director in Seminary, pastor of St. John's church, Utica, Domestic Prelate.
Rev. Michael T. McManus, Boston;
pastor of the church of the Assumption, Brookline, Mass.
Rev. Edward McSweeney, Portland;
pastor of St. John's church, Bangor, Maine.
Rev. James F. Mee, New York;
pastor of Rosebank, N. Y.
Rev. Isidore Meister, New York;
pastor of Mamaroneck, N. Y.
Rev. Martin O'Flaherty, New York;
died pastor of Rosendale, N. Y., 1881.
Rev. Michael J. Phelan, New York;
pastor of St. Cecilia's church, New York.
Rev. Peter H. J. Ryan, Albany;
pastor of Cadyville, N. Y.
Rev. James F. O'Hare, Rochester;
died pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, Rochester, vicar-general of diocese, 1898.
Rev. Michael McAuley, Hartford;
died pastor of Windsor Locks, Conn., 1878.
Rev. Thomas O'Brien, Boston;
died pastor of Randolph, Mass., 1888.
Rev. Charles Rogers, Hartford;
died pastor of Bristol, R. I., 1884.

1. REV. AUGUSTINE FIVEZ, 2. REV. REMY LAFORT, 3. REV. CHARLES ROELANTS, 4. REV. PATRICK TANDY, 5. REV. SHERWOOD A. HEALY.

Rev. Roger Ward, Albany;
pastor of North Creek, N. Y.
Rev. Edward S. Galligan, Boston;
died, retired, 1882.

In June, 1870, the Rev. Peter J. Schmidt and the Rev. Hugh Shields resigned their chairs. The former became pastor of the German church in Rome, N. Y., where he had to struggle with an obstinate schism among his parishioners. He afterward retired to his native diocese of Trier in Germany, where he is still living. Father Shields was successively assistant and pastor of various missions in the dioceses of Albany and Ogdensburg and died in his native place, Waterville, N. Y., January 18, 1881.

The faculty was thus again reduced to six. Father Puissant taught both Canon Law and Moral Theology; Father Gabriels added Church History to his lectures on Dogma; Father Vandenhende continued to teach Philosophy.

CHAPTER X.

1870–1871.

THE school year 1870–1871 began with about one hundred and thirty students on the list. The ordinations from January to December, 1871, included:

Rev. John J. Kean, New York;
pastor of the church of the Holy Name, New York.

Rev. Dennis M. Bradley, Portland;
first bishop of Manchester, N. H., died 1903.

Rev. Michael Burke, Springfield;
died assistant at the cathedral, Springfield, 1871.

Rev. John Clancy, New York;
died, retired, 1872.

Rev. Charles N. Corley, New York;
pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Yonkers, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas J. Cummings, Boston;
died, retired, 1876.

Rev. Bernard A. Goodwin, New York;
died, retired, 1895.

Rev. John C. Harrington, Boston;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Lynn, Mass.

Rev. Peter Leddy, Boston;
died pastor of Hingham, Mass., 1880.

Rev. Joseph F. Leonard, Albany;

died pastor of St. Francis' church, Troy, N. Y., 1900.

Rev. Michael J. McCall, Boston;
pastor of St. James' church, Salem, Mass.

Rev. Michael J. Masterson, Boston;
pastor of Peabody, Mass.

Rev. Joseph F. Mohan, Boston;
pastor of Everett, Mass.

Rev. Joseph F. Mooney, New York;
vicar-general of New York, pastor of Sacred Heart church, Domestic Prelate.

Rev. William A. O'Neill, New York;
died pastor of St. Ann's church, New York, 1901.

Rev. William L. Penny, New York;
pastor of the church of the Annunciation, New York.

Rev. Patrick S. Rigney, New York;
died assistant at St. Andrew's church, New York, 1885.

Rev. William H. Rogers, Hartford;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Hartford, Conn.

Rev. Joseph O. Byron, New York;
died pastor of the church of the Holy Rosary, New York, 1893.

Rev. Nicholas J. Hughes, New York;
pastor of St. Mary's church, New York.

Rev. J. B. McGeough, Boston;
priest of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer.

Rev. Edmund Walshe, Albany;
sick.

Toward June Father Vandenhende sent in to the Archbishop his final resignation with a request to have his successor appointed. When all was arranged, he announced his approaching departure to the professors, and at the close of the year he left for New York, from which port he sailed on the Parthia for Liverpool and Ghent on July 1, 1871.

Father Vandenhende, "the old man," will live in the memory of all the students who knew him as a model of the holy priest, as a careful director, and as an excellent teacher. His conferences and his retreats are still remembered as the perfection of their kind. No one was ever heard to speak disparagingly of his work.

In his native diocese he was welcomed and honored. Made a titular canon and grand penitentiary by Bishop Bracq soon after his return, he was named first vicar-general, dean of the cathedral chapter, and archdeacon by Bishop Lambrecht in 1888. He died, full of merits and honors, in Ghent on July 1, 1901, having attained the venerable age of eighty-seven years.

On the day of Father Vandenhende's departure, Archbishop McCloskey sent to the writer the following letter, which in his memory and for my own sake I may be pardoned for quoting at length:

New York, July 1, 1871.

Rev. dear sir:

I write in the first place to salute you as President of the Provincial Seminary, and to express my best and earnest wishes for your success in the arduous and responsible office to which you have been called.

I write also to present through you my best regards and respects to the Rev. Professors who have so well and faithfully labored with you under the Presidency of the good

Can. Vandenhende and who kindly consent to continue to give their valued services to the good work with which they have been identified from its very beginning, and which with God's blessing has so highly prospered. As you have been brothers in the past, so will you be, no doubt, in the future.

I would be glad if you could make it convenient to come down and see me next week, say Tuesday or Wednesday.

There are many points on which it would be well that we should confer together at as early a day as possible.

Can. Vandenhende will leave at 2 o'cl. P. M. He is well, and although withdrawing from the post which he has so honorably filled at Troy, and returning to his own country, he will not cease to feel a lively interest in the Seminary and to coöperate as far as may be in his power for its future welfare and success.

Wishing you health and blessing,

I remain, Rev. dear sir,

Very Sincerely your Servant in J. C.,

John, Abp. of New York.

Father Vandenhende did not forget his promise to coöperate with us for the welfare of the Seminary. He soon secured from Mgr. Bracq, of Ghent, the services of a new professor to take his own place. The Rev. Augustine Fivez, S.T.L., who was at the time studying for the doctorate in theology at Louvain, consented to sacrifice his prospects there in order to teach Dogmatic Theology in Troy, as Father Vandenhende announced in the following letter (written in French):

Ghent, August 18, 1871.

Monsieur le Président:

You will have learned by the *Bien Public* that Monseigneur has designated the Rev. Aug. Fivez for a professorship in the Seminary of Troy. Father Fivez will, unless prevented, leave

Liverpool on the fifth of next month by the S. S. Algeria of the Cunard line. He engaged his passage yesterday at Antwerp. . .

Father Fivez is very well disposed. His mother, who made some difficulties in the beginning, is now quite satisfied, and so are the rest of his family.

You will be on the point of opening the classes when you will receive this letter. I pray God to bless them as well as yourself and all those whom He has called to lend their aid to this great ministry.

I am, Monsieur le Président, with the best and most respectful regards for yourself and all those who labor with you,

Your very humble servant,

L. J. Vandenhende.

Father Fivez, on his arrival on the 16th of September, was received at the dock in Jersey City by Father McNeirny, soon to be coadjutor bishop of Albany. He started the same night for Troy with President Gabriels. On the 18th he commenced his course of lectures; with what success his old pupils delight to remember.

Father Vandenhende gave the Seminary another sign of his paternal affection by presenting it with two beautifully decorated carved wooden statues of the Blessed Virgin and of St. Joseph, which were placed in the chapel on either side of the altar. They were made to his order at Ghent.

Bishop Conroy, of Albany, meanwhile had also given to the Seminary one of his very best priests, the Rev. James S. M. Lynch, who was to take the office of director, Father McLoughlin taking a part of the Philosophy course. Father Gabriels kept the class of History and also taught Logic. There were thus again seven members in the faculty. But after a few

weeks Father McLoughlin had to resign on account of ill health. He returned to Burlington, where he has since occupied many positions. He was replaced by the Rev. Joseph F. Mooney of New York, ordained at the Seminary in July, 1871.

CHAPTER XI.

1871–1872.

THE year opened with one hundred and eighteen students, of whom twenty-one were students of philosophy; six more entered later. From January, 1872, to the following December there were promoted to the priesthood:

Rev. Patrick J. Brophy, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Transfiguration, New York, 1874.

Rev. Charles E. Burke, Springfield;
pastor of St. Francis' church, North Adams, Mass.

Rev. John J. Cannon, Albany;
died chaplain of Kenwood Academy, Albany, N. Y., 1873.

Rev. Michael Clarke, Boston;
pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, Boston.

Rev. John Daly, Springfield.

Rev. James J. Flood, New York;
pastor of St. John the Evangelist's church, New York.

Rev. John J. Keogan, New York;
pastor of the church of St. Thomas the Apostle, New York.

Rev. John F. Lynch, New York;
died, retired, 1905.
Rev. William J. McCombe, Hartford;
died pastor of North Easton, Mass., 1895.
Rev. Christopher McGrath, Boston;
died pastor of St. Bernard's church, Newton, Mass., 1886.
Rev. Michael J. McInerny, Nashville;
died pastor of McEwens, Tenn., 1874.
Rev. John McQuirk, New York;
pastor of St. Paul's church, New York.
Rev. Patrick Malone, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Immaculate Conception, New York, 1886.
Rev. Francis J. Maguire, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. Edward F. O'Connor, Albany;
died pastor of Clayville, N. Y., 1890.
Rev. William J. O'Kelly, New York;
died pastor of the church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, New York, 1901.
Rev. Daniel H. O'Neill, Springfield;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Worcester, Mass.
Rev. Patrick B. Phelan, Springfield;
pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, Holyoke, Mass.
Rev. James J. Renehan, Albany;
pastor of Marcellus, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Lynch, New York;
pastor of St. Elizabeth's church, New York.

Rev. Henry J. Gordon, New York;
pastor of St. Charles Borromeo's church, New York.
Rev. Patrick H. Beecham, Albany;
died pastor of Baldwinsville, N. Y., 1905.
Rev. Joseph C. Campbell, New York;
pastor of the church of St. Mary of the Assumption, Port Richmond, Staten Island, New York.
Rev. Daniel J. Corkery, New York;
died pastor of Amenia, N. Y., 1891.
Rev. Cornelius Donovan, New York;
died pastor of St. Mary's church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., 1887.
Rev. William A. Drum, Albany;
died pastor of St. Francis' church, Troy, N. Y., 1882.
Rev. Anthony Molloy, New York;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Yonkers, N. Y.
Rev. James W. Power, New York;
pastor of the church of All Saints, New York.
Rev. Charles Reilly, Albany;
died pastor of St. Francis' church, Troy, N. Y., 1887.
Rev. James T. Westerman, New York;
chaplain St. Vincent's Hospital, New York.

One of the first cares of the new president was to have the rules of the Seminary printed and put in the hands of all the seminarians. They were published under the title *"Manuale alumnorum Seminarii S. Josephi, Trojae, N. Y."* Before its publication the

Manuale received the approval of the archbishop and all the bishops interested in the institution.

In June Father Roelants left on a visit to Belgium. While there he was appointed rector of the American College of Louvain by the bishops in charge, represented by Bishop McFarland of Hartford. He at once announced the fact to President Gabriels, adding that his nomination had yet to be confirmed by Cardinal Barnabo. Unfortunately the future bishop of Tournay, Father Dumont, who was later to cause such great annoyance to the Holy See by his insane behavior, opposed Father Roelants' promotion, and hence arose entanglements which, while preventing him from going to Louvain, caused him to remain away from Troy until the following year.

This was a severe blow to the Seminary. It was followed by another very great loss. Father Lynch announced that he had decided to leave the post in which he was doing so much good, in order to enter the Society of Jesus. Both professors were to be replaced, but how?

Efforts in Ghent, supported by the Archbishop, failed to bring a successor to Father Roelants. While, however, we were trying to fill his place, he unexpectedly sent a cablegram that he himself was to return and this put us at ease for a time. Yet, through some misunderstanding, he failed to sail at the proper time, and the Seminary remained deprived of his services until September, 1873. Meantime Father Fivez kindly supplied his place.

Father Lynch could not be replaced until far in November, and till then he charitably continued his

valued labors. He was succeeded by the Rev. Philip J. Garrigan, of Springfield, now bishop of Sioux City, Iowa, who with the consent of his bishop, Rt. Rev. T. O'Reilly, for three years occupied the responsible position of director, to the satisfaction of all.

1, RT. REV. LOUIS DE GOESBRIAND, 2, RT. REV. FRANCIS McNEIRNY,
3, MOST. REV. JOHN J. WILLIAMS, 4, RT. REV. EDGAR P. WADHAMS,
5, RT. REV. PATRICK A. LUDDEN.

CHAPTER XII.

1872–1873.

THE scholastic year 1872 was ushered in under the circumstances explained above, with a total of one hundred and seventeen students, ninety-five theologians and twenty-two philosophers. This number was slightly increased afterwards.

The following gentlemen were ordained to the priesthood during the year 1873:

Rev. John J. Donnelly, Rochester;
pastor of Victor, N. Y.

Rev. Walter P. Golden, Rochester;
retired.

Rev. Thomas A. Hendrick, Rochester;
bishop of Cebu, Philippine Islands, 1904.

Rev. John J. McDonald, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Binghamton, N. Y.

Rev. Edward T. McGinley, New York;
pastor of St. Rose of Lima's church, New York.

Rev. Richard W. Meehan, Albany;
died, retired, 1884.

Rev. John S. Michaud, Burlington;
bishop of Burlington, 1892.

Rev. John A. Mulcahy, Hartford;
died vicar-general of Hartford, pastor of the

church of the Immaculate Conception, Waterbury, Conn., 1900.

Rev. William Mulheron, Rochester;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Auburn, N. Y.

Rev. Michael W. Newman, New York;
died pastor of Tuckahoe, N. Y., 1887.

Rev. Edward J. O'Gorman, New York;
assistant at the church of the Resurrection, Rye, N. Y.

Rev. Luke G. O'Reilly, Albany;
died pastor of St. Francis de Sales' church, Utica, N. Y., 1902.

Rev. George J. Osborne, Rochester;
died, retired, 1901.

Rev. Hugh F. Rafferty, Rochester;
pastor of Scipio, N. Y.

Rev. John B. Salter, New York;
pastor of Tuckahoe, N. Y.

Rev. Eugene Smyth, New York;
died, retired, 1905.

Rev. Thomas P. Walsh, Albany;
died pastor of Coxsackie, N. Y., 1899.

Rev. John J. Murphy, Boston;
assistant at Stoughton, Weymouth, Mass.

Rev. Thomas O'Neill, Portland;
retired.

Rev. James T. Canavan, Springfield;
died pastor of Milford, Mass., 1904.

Rev. James J. Chittick, Boston;
pastor of the church of the Most Precious Blood, Hyde Park, Mass.

Rev. John J. Colton, New York;

died assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, New York, 1878.

Rev. Michael Clune, Albany;
pastor of St. John's church, Syracuse, N. Y.

Rev. William J. Foy, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Sacred Heart, New York, 1896.

Rev. John J. McGivney, New York;
died, retired, 1881.

Rev. John J. McNulty, Boston;
died pastor of the church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Boston, Mass., 1902.

Rev. Michael Madden, Rochester;
pastor of Trumansburgh, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas Plunkett, Ogdensburg;
died chaplain of the Ogdensburg City Hospital, 1904.

In January, 1873, the library of the Seminary, which had often before been favored with donations of valuable books, especially by the Rev. J. Shanahan, of St. Peter's, New York, and by the Rev. Lawrence McKenna, also of New York, received a large accession through the generous legacy of a very rich library from the late Rev. William McClellan of Sing Sing, N. Y.

This year we had again a solemn procession of Corpus Christi on the Seminary grounds. This devotion, which had been omitted for some years, always drew many participants and spectators, and it was for nearly all of them a most edifying pageant. It was indeed a grand scene to see the crowd kneel in a square on the grass and receive the blessing of the Eucharistic God

from the brow of the hill facing the playground on the plain. However, on account of the rude behavior of a very few, mostly boys, the solemn ceremony was suppressed after one or two more repetitions.

After the ordination and subsequent examinations, several of the professors with some of their friends sailed for Europe on June 25, 1873. The party was composed of the president and Father Mooney, who were bound for Rome; Fathers Fivez and Van Campenhaut (Francis) of Troy, whose destination was Belgium; Father Lynch, whom illness had compelled to leave the Jesuit novitiate, and who was going to Lourdes, where he was cured of his ailments; and Mr. Peyton, a student, nephew of Bishop Conroy. Father Puissant had visited his native country the preceding year.

The pilgrims to Rome enjoyed the hospitality of the Belgian College, and they were favored with a private audience by his Holiness Pius IX., who showed himself most friendly to them, bestowing his blessing upon the Seminary and granting to its main altar the indulgence of a privileged altar. When he inquired especially about the Philosophy which Father Mooney was teaching, I answered him, among other things, that the text-book of our Moral Philosophy was the manual of Father Jouin, a German, a Jesuit, and a convert; he jocosely remarked that the Germans all needed to be converted. It must be remembered that this was at the time that Döllinger and his friends had broken away from the Church by the Old Catholic schism in Germany and Switzerland. We are happy to add that, very soon after, the Germans became the

staunchest defenders of Catholicity in the "Vaterland," succeeding in bringing even the "Chancellor of Blood and Iron" to "Canossa."

The returning excursion party in September was increased by the welcome accession of Father Roelants, who had consented to resume his class of Scripture in Troy. The excellent professor everywhere received the sincerest signs of the high appreciation in which he was held. Bishops, priests, professors, and students vied with each other in showing how delighted they were with his return.

The faculty was again complete, but only for a short time. Father Edwards soon resigned his procuratorship and left for New York in October, to work there as only he can work. Father Puissant, however, kindly consented to add the burden of the material care of the house to his other duties, and for seventeen years managed the finances of St. Joseph's, economically and conservatively, yet to the satisfaction of all interested.

CHAPTER XIII.

1873–1874.

THIS scholastic year 1873–1874 saw the number of students reduced to the lowest mark. There were only one hundred and eight students on the rolls at the beginning of the scholastic year. A few came later.

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception, 1873, by order of the bishops of the province the Seminary was solemnly dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. From that time the devotion of the League of the Most Sacred Heart and the Apostleship of Prayer was regularly practised in the institution and did much to promote solid piety among the students.

The ordinations from January to December, 1874, were:

Rev. Patrick J. Brady, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Cohoes, N. Y.

Rev. John E. O'Sullivan, Albany;
retired in diocese of Syracuse.

Rev. John J. Riordan, New York;
died director of the mission of the Holy Rosary, New York, 1887.

Rev. John J. Corr, New York;
died assistant at St. Bridget's church, New York, 1875.

Rev. Daniel T. Cronin, New York;
pastor of Liberty, N. Y.

Rev. Peter Farrell, New York;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Tremont, N. Y.
Rev. James F. Fitzgerald, Springfield;
died pastor of St. Matthew's church, Indian Orchard, Mass., 1880.
Rev. John Fitzharris, New York;
died pastor of St. Veronica's church, New York, 1891.
Rev. John B. Galvin, Boston;
pastor of Somerville, Mass.
Rev. Martin J. Hughes, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Binghamton, N. Y.
Rev. James A. Kelley, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, rural dean, Oneida, N. Y.
Rev. Matthew M. McDonald, Boston;
priest of the Society of Jesus.
Rev. Francis D. McGuire, Albany;
died pastor of the cathedral, Albany, 1904.
Rev. John T. McMahon, Hartford;
chaplain St. Mary's Home, Hartford, Conn.
Rev. Henry J. Madden, Boston;
pastor of Winchester, Mass.
Rev. William Morrin, Rochester;
died pastor of St. Francis de Sales' church, Denver, Col., 1903.
Rev. William Morris, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Epiphany, New York, 1886.
Rev. Daniel J. O'Sullivan, Springfield;
died pastor of Blackstone, Mass., 1885.

Rev. Thomas E. Power, Boston;
pastor of Chelsea, Mass.
Rev. William Rossiter, Ogdensburg;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, rural dean, Malone, N. Y.
Rev. James N. Supple, Boston;
pastor of St. Francis de Sales' church, Charlestown, Mass.
Rev. William Ward, New York;
assistant at St. Elizabeth's church, New York.
Rev. Andrew J. Brennan, Rochester;
died assistant at the church of the Immaculate Conception, Rochester, N. Y., 1874.
Rev. Joseph Brelivet, Burlington;
assistant at St. Germain L'Auxerrois, Paris, France.
Rev. William J. Hogan, New York;
died assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, New York, 1892.
Rev. William A. Ryan, Boston;
pastor of St. Margaret's church, Boston, Mass.

CHAPTER XIV.

1874–1875.

THERE was no change in the faculty for the school year 1874–1875. The number of students rose again to one hundred and twenty-five, thanks partially to the candidates sent by the Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid, of Rochester, who continued liberally to patronize St. Joseph's Seminary until the opening of his own beautiful Seminary of St. Bernard. The spring of 1875 was signalized at the Seminary by an enthusiastic celebration in honor of Archbishop McCloskey's elevation to the dignity of first American cardinal. The faculty sent their heartfelt congratulations to the new prince of the Roman Church, who honored them with the following reply:

New York, March 21, 1875.

Very Rev. Dear Sir:

I beg to thank you very sincerely for the kind words of congratulation which you have addressed to me both in your name and in that of the Professors of the Prov. Seminary. Be assured that the new dignity which has been so unexpectedly bestowed upon me shall never lessen but rather increase my earnest exertions for the continued prosperity of the Institution over which you so worthily preside, as well as my sense of esteem and gratitude toward yourself and Rev. Confrères who are so devoted to this all-important work.

Wishing you all health and blessing,

I remain, Very Rev. Sir,

Very truly yours in J. C.,

John, Abp. of New York.

Very Rev. Dr. Gabriels,
Pres't of Prov. Sem'y,
Troy.

We subjoin the names of the priests ordained from January to December, 1875.

Rev. John Doyle, New York;
died assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, New York, 1878.

Rev. Joseph P. Egan, New York;
died, retired, 1898.

Rev. James F. Collins, Albany;
died pastor of Chittenango, N. Y., 1888.

Rev. James J. Keegan, Boston;
pastor of Woburn, Mass.

Rev. James Hayes, New York;
retired.

Rev. John A. Hurley, New York;
died pastor of Fishkill, N. Y., 1891.

Rev. James F. Kiely, New York;
died pastor of St. Margaret's church, Riverdale, N. Y., 1905.

Rev. Hugh F. McCabe, New York;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Rev. Michael D. Murphy, Boston;
died pastor of Hopkinton, Mass., 1891.

Rev. Lawrence J. O'Toole, Boston;
pastor of West Newton, Mass.

Rev. John J. O'Keefe, Springfield;
pastor of Clinton, Mass.

Rev. John Garrity, Springfield;
died assistant at Holyoke, Mass., 1877.

Rev. Frederick Rauber, Rochester;
pastor of church of St. Boniface, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas Rossiter, Rochester;
chaplain St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. Martin, New York;
assistant at Ossining, N. Y.
Rev. John M. Mulcahy, Boston;
pastor of Arlington, Mass.
Rev. John Crowley, Albany;
died, retired, 1876.
Rev. John F. Cummins, Boston;
pastor of Roslindale, Mass.
Rev. William A. Farrell, New York;
died pastor of St. Teresa's church, Tarrytown, N. Y., 1895.
Rev. Jerome M. Gelot, Burlington;
died pastor of Ludlow, Vt., 1904.
Rev. Michael McSwiggan, New York;
died pastor of Matteawan, N. Y., 1890.

CHAPTER XV.

1875–1876.

For the scholastic year 1875–1876 one hundred and thirty-five students were sent to the Seminary. There were two new members in the faculty.

The director, Rev. Philip J. Garrigan had, after three years of efficient work, been recalled by Bishop O'Reilly of Springfield to manage the important parish of Fitchburg, Mass. Here too he was no less successful, as is evident from the fact that at the opening of the Catholic University of Washington he was called to occupy the responsible position of its vice-rector and treasurer. From there he was in 1902 advanced to the higher dignity of first bishop of Sioux City in Iowa, which grows and flourishes under his pastoral care.

Father Garrigan's place was taken by Father Lynch, who, to the delight of all, became director for the second time. The Rev. Edward Dunphy ('68) was the second new member of the faculty. His chair was that of Sacred Eloquence, which he taught with zeal and success for five years.

The year 1876 saw the following gentlemen promoted to the holy priesthood:

Rev. Michael Montgomery, New York;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Ellenville, N. Y.

1. REV. MICHAEL J. CONSIDINE. 2. VERY REV. W. LIVINGSTONE. 3. RT. REV. MGR. J. S. M. LYNCH. 4. REV. THOMAS KENNY. 5. REV. HUGH SHIELDS

Rev. James J. Peyton, Albany;
pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, Albany, N. Y.

Rev. John L. Reilly, Albany;
pastor of St. John's church, Schenectady, N. Y., rural dean, Domestic Prelate.

Rev. Ignatius P. Egan, Boston;
died pastor of Cohasset, Mass., 1897.

Rev. Charles H. Colton, New York;
bishop of Buffalo, 1904.

Rev. Simon Fitzsimons, Rochester;
pastor of Lima, N. Y.

Rev. Luke Fitzsimons, Hartford;
pastor of Rockville, Conn.

Rev. Alfred J. Evans, Rochester;
pastor of Ithaca, N. Y.

Rev. Stephen J. Nagle, New York;
died assistant at St. Michael's church, New York, 1881.

Rev. Francis Cunningham, Albany;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, West Troy, 1885.

Rev. Maurice J. Dougherty, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Holy Cross, New York, 1890.

Rev. James L. Crosby, New York;
pastor of Nyack, N. Y.

Rev. Michael J. Brown, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Hogansburgh, N. Y.

Rev. John G. Fitzgerald, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Old Forge, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas J. Keleher, Ogdensburg;
died pastor of Massena Springs, N. Y., 1889.
Rev. Thomas O'Hanlon, New York;
died pastor of Port Ewen, N. Y., 1883.
Rev. Patrick J. McCloskey, New York;
died assistant of St. Agnes' church, New York, 1879.
Rev. John M. Grady, New York;
died assistant at Port Chester, N. Y., 1888.
Rev. Philip A. Meister, New York;
assistant at St. John Chrysostom's church, New York.
Rev. Eugene F. Egan, Boston;
died, retired, 1897.
Rev. Michael Lane, New York;
died pastor of Rye, N. Y., 1888.
Rev. Timothy C. Murphy, Rochester;
died pastor of the Holy Apostles' church, Rochester, N. Y., 1900.
Rev. Edward F. Slattery, New York;
died pastor of the church of St. Catharine of Genoa, New York, 1901.

CHAPTER XVI.

1876–1877.

THERE was no change in the faculty in the fall of 1876. The list of students rolled up to one hundred and forty-one. Of them the following were ordained between January and December, 1877.

Rev. Philip E. Ahern, New York;
died chaplain of house of Good Shepherd, New York, 1903.

Rev. Tobias Fitzpatrick, New York;
died, retired, 1880.

Rev. John B. Mayer, New York;
pastor of St. Nicholas' church, New York.

Rev. John B. O'Hare, New York;
died, retired, 1902.

Rev. Michael J. Quinn, New York;
died, retired, 1882.,

Rev. Michael J. F. Scanlan, Albany;
pastor of Barrytown, N. Y.

Rev. Richard Neagle, Boston;
pastor of Malden, Mass.

Rev. Joseph W. Hendrick, Rochester;
pastor of Ovid, N. Y., chamberlain to Holy Father.

Rev. William B. J. Boddy, New York;
died pastor of Wilbur, N. Y., 1890.

Rev. Edward J. Byrnes, New York;
died, retired, 1903.
Rev. Michael J. Carmody, Burlington;
pastor of Brattleboro, Vt.
Rev. Patrick J. Connick, New York;
resigned parish work at Cold Spring, 1905.
Rev. James A. Curtin, Albany;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Troy, N. Y.
Rev. Timothy J. Danahy, Boston;
pastor of Newton Upper Falls, Mass.
Rev. William J. Finneran, Albany;
died pastor of Catskill, N. Y., 1900.
Rev. James Campbell, Boston;
died, retired, 1904.
Rev. John A. Hart, Albany;
pastor of Norwich, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas S. Hart, Albany;
died assistant at St. Joseph's church, Albany, N. Y., 1882.
Rev. Jeremiah J. Heffernan, Albany;
pastor of the church of the Visitation, Schuylerville, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Hickey, Rochester;
pastor of Holy Family church, Auburn, N. Y.
Rev. Joseph L. Hoey, New York;
pastor of St. Francis de Sales' church, New York.
Rev. Matthew Kuhnen, New York;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Rondout, N. Y.
Rev. Daniel J. McCormick, New York;
died pastor of St. Veronica's church, New York, 1903.

Rev. Thomas F. McGare, New York;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Haverstraw, N. Y.
Rev. James J. McNamara, Boston;
died pastor of Saxonville, Mass., 1893.
Rev. Edward F. Martin, Springfield;
died pastor of Athol, Mass., 1903.
Rev. John J. McLoghlin (transient), Albany;
pastor of Cortland, N. Y.
Rev. Daniel P. Ward, New York;
died pastor of Wilbur, N. Y., 1901.

CHAPTER XVII.

1877–1878.

In September, 1877, all the old professors were at their posts. The number of students was one hundred and fifty-two. During the year 1878 the following seminarians were promoted to the priesthood:

Rev. Joseph Netzel, Rochester;
pastor of St. Francis Xavier's church, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Daniel J. Splaine, Boston;
pastor of Ashland, Mass.

Rev. James P. Connor, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Trout River, N. Y.

Rev. Mathias Hargather, Rochester;
pastor of St. Michael's church, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. James J. Leary, Rochester;
died pastor of Corpus Christi church, Rochester, N. Y., 1901.

Rev. Joseph H. Bigley, New York;
died pastor of Holy Trinity church, New York, 1900.

Rev. James P. Byrnes, New York;
pastor of Richmond, S. I., New York.

Rev. Francis J. Curran, Boston;
pastor of Beverly, Mass.

Rev. Thomas J. Dunphy, New York;
died chaplain of Nanuet Convent, N. Y., 1901.
Rev. William A. Dunphy, New York;
died pastor of White Plains, N. Y., 1891.
Rev. Michael J. Henry, New York;
director of the Mission of the Holy Rosary, New York.
Rev. Patrick J. McCorry, New York;
pastor of St. Catharine of Genoa's church, New York.
Rev. John J. Nilan, Boston;
pastor of Amesbury, Mass.
Rev. Anthony Trieb, Albany;
died pastor of Sandlake, N. Y., 1880.
Rev. William A. McDonald, Rochester;
director in Seminary, pastor of Geneva, N. Y., rural dean.
Rev. James E. Hartley, Rochester;
pastor of Palmyra, N. Y.
Rev. Felix P. Dixon, New York;
died, retired, 1883.
Rev. Francis S. Wilson, Boston;
retired.
Rev. Francis J. Glynn, Boston;
pastor of Melrose, Mass.
Rev. John B. Halloran, Boston;
died pastor of St. John's church, Cambridge, Mass., 1902.

Through the munificence of the Right Rev. Bishop McNeirny of Albany, who had just succeeded Bishop Conroy, the Seminary this year was enriched by the

beautiful main altar of carved wood which is still used in its chapel. It was constructed at Peer in Belgium by Mr. Leynen-Hoegaerts, of Brussels, who more than succeeded in satisfying the expectations of the donor. Its statues of the Blessed Virgin and of St. Joseph and the groups carved in the front side of the altar are elegant specimens of artistic workmanship.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1878–1879.

Again in September, 1878, the faculty counted the same seven members. Students arrived to the number of one hundred and thirty-eight. Between January and December, 1879, the following were promoted to the priesthood:

Rev. William Doherty, Albany;
died pastor of Marathon, N. Y., 1882.

Rev. Malick A. Cunnion, New York;
pastor of St. Raphael's church, New York.

Rev. Hugh J. Kelly, New York;
died director of the Mission of the Holy Rosary, New York, 1896.

Rev. James J. O'Brien, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Sandy Hill, N. Y., rural dean.

Rev. William O'Mahony, Albany;
pastor of the church of St. Paul the Apostle, Troy, N. Y.

Rev. George T. Donlin, New York;
pastor of St. Jerome's church, New York.

Rev. Charles H. Parks, New York;
pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas' church, New York.

Rev. Edwin M. Sweeny, New York;
pastor of the church of the Ascension, New York.

Rev. Bernard Duffy, New York;
chaplain of Calvary Cemetery, Long Island, N. Y.

Rev. James H. Maney, Albany;
died pastor of Our Lady of Angels' church, Whitehall, N. Y., 1893.

Rev. James P. McKeown, Springfield;
retired.

Rev. Patrick Ahearn, Albany;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, Amsterdam, N. Y., 1885.

Rev. Peter McNamee, New York;
pastor of St. Rose's church, New York.

Rev. Michael J. Lavelle, New York;
rector of the cathedral, New York, vicar-general, Domestic Prelate.

Rev. John G. Guentzer, New York;
died, retired, 1883.

Rev. Thomas Smyth, New York;
retired.

Rev. Michael C. O'Brien, Peoria;
pastor of Hoopeston, Ill.

Rev. Charles Antoni, New York;
died assistant at St. Nicholas' church, New York, 1891.

Rev. Joseph P. Brennan, New York;
assistant at Tuckahoe, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Brophy, New York;
died, retired, 1891.

Rev. James M. Byrnes, New York;
pastor of Tottenville, Staten Island, N. Y.
Rev. Luke A. Costello, New York;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, New York, 1883.
Rev. Charles F. Cowen, Boston;
died, retired, 1900.
Rev. Peter J. Devlin, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Chateaugay, N. Y.
Rev. Daniel F. Feehan, Springfield;
pastor of St. Bernard's church, Fitchburg, Mass.
Rev. Thomas L. Flanagan, Boston;
pastor of Medford, Mass.
Rev. Michael J. Howard, Springfield;
died pastor of the church of the Holy Rosary, Holyoke, Mass., 1888.
Rev. Charles J. McElroy, Hartford;
pastor of Derby, Conn.
Rev. Patrick McCabe, New York;
died pastor of Lake Mahopac, N. Y., 1890.
Rev. Michael Haran, New York;
pastor of West Hurley, N. Y.
Rev. John J. McMahon, Springfield;
died pastor of Florence, Mass., 1889.
Rev. John A. Kellner, New York;
pastor of St. Gabriel's church, New Rochelle, N. Y.
Rev. Dennis F. Sullivan, Boston;
died pastor of the Sacred Heart church, Lynn, Mass., 1905.
Rev. Thomas Moylan, Boston;

pastor of St. Joseph's church, Roxbury, Boston, Mass.

Rev. James H. O'Neill, Boston;
pastor of Rockland, Mass.

Rev. William A. Ryan, Albany;
pastor of St. Agnes' church, Utica, N. Y.

Rev. John A. Wolff, New York;
died assistant of St. Boniface's church, New York, 1887.

After eight years of faithful service in the cause of clerical education the Rev. Joseph F. Mooney asked to be assigned to parish work. His request was granted. He has since distinguished himself as a zealous and successful pastor and as an eloquent preacher. He was successively promoted to various posts of responsibility and dignity, and he is now, whilst permanent rector of the parish of the Sacred Heart, the trusted senior vicar-general of New York and a Prothonotary Apostolic of his Holiness.

Father Mooney was succeeded at the Seminary by the Rev. Cornelius V. Mahony, D. D., who had commenced his studies in Troy and finished them in Rome, where he was ordained and where he received his degree of Doctor of Theology.

Father Edward J. Dunphy also resigned during this vacation and for some years zealously worked in the parish of Rossville, S. I. He was constantly in poor health and died an edifying death in 1883. The chair of Sacred Eloquence was assigned to the Rev. Dr. Mahony in addition to his regular work.

The rest of the faculty remained as before.

1, RT. REV. THOMAS M. A. BURKE, 2, RT. REV. THOMAS A. HENDRICK,
3, RT. REV. CHARLES H. COLTON, 4, RT. REV. THOMAS F. CUSACK,
5, RT. REV. THOMAS F. HICKEY.

CHAPTER XIX.

1879–1880.

The students in September, 1879, numbered one hundred and twenty-four. From them were called to the priesthood during the year 1880:

Rev. Francis F. Rippin, Rochester;
died assistant at the cathedral, Rochester, N. Y., 1883.

Rev. John J. Gillen, Boston;
died assistant at Natick, Mass., 1881.

Rev. David J. Leahy, New York;
assistant at St. Boniface's church, New York.

Rev. James J. McCarthy, New York;
assistant at . . . New York.

Rev. John F. Mullany, Albany;
pastor of St. John the Baptist's church, Syracuse, N. Y.

Rev. John H. Walsh, Albany;
died pastor of New Lebanon, N. Y., 1885.

Rev. Dennis J. Curran, Rochester;
pastor of Corpus Christi church, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Michael A. F. Holmes, Rochester;
pastor of Macedon, N. Y.

Rev. Patrick H. Callanan, Boston;
pastor of Newton Lower Falls, Mass.

Rev. John J. Carroll, Chicago;
pastor of St. Thomas' church, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Daniel J. Collins, Boston;
died assistant at St. James' church, Salem, Mass., 1897.
Rev. John B. Creeden, New York;
died pastor of Ossining, N. Y., 1903.
Rev. William J. Doolan, Hartford;
pastor of Southington, Conn.
Rev. James F. McLaughlin, New York;
died pastor of Monticello, N. Y., 1898.
Rev. Thomas J. McCloskey, New York;
priest of the Society of Jesus.
Rev. William J. Millerick, Boston;
pastor of Stoneham, Mass.
Rev. Michael J. O'Donnell, Boston;
died assistant at St. Vincent's church, Boston, Mass., 1892.
Rev. Ambrose F. Roche, Boston;
pastor of West Quincy, Mass.
Rev. James P. Cummiskey, New York;
died assistant at Saugerties, N. Y., 1885.

Early in 1880 our household suffered a sad loss by the death of Brother Anselmus, the first to die of the congregation of Our Lady of Lourdes, after having given his services to the Seminary for nearly fourteen years. He was a saintly religious, much beloved by all.

In June, 1880, the priests ordained in 1870 celebrated in the halls of their Alma Mater the tenth anniversary of their ordination. A Solemn High Mass was sung. This was followed by a sumptuous banquet. In

memory of the event they presented to the Seminary a life-size statue of St. Joseph, the patron of the institution, which was placed in the little circular plot fronting the house, where it still stands as a memorial of their gratitude and attachment to their Alma Mater.

At the end of the scholastic year the Rev. James S. M. Lynch resigned his position for the second time, to the great regret of all. He devoted himself to the ministry, in which he worked with the same zeal and success that had marked his career as director in the Seminary. His wise efforts extinguished the last sparks of a long schism in Utica. Afterward he became pastor of St. John's in Syracuse and vicar-general of the diocese. Subsequently he returned to the church of St. John at Utica, which he altered and completed. He was honored with the purple of a Domestic Prelate by Pope Leo XIII. in the year 1900.

The Rev. John F. Woods, D.D., a graduate of the American College of Rome, took the place of director and at the same time taught Sacred Eloquence during the few years he remained in Troy.

It was this year, if my notes are correct, that the bishops interested in the Seminary finally consented to grant the seminarians a respite from study during the winter term. It had been long noticed that a continuous study for nine and a half months was too severe a strain on many young men, who became debilitated and exhausted by the middle of the year. Then leave of absence, which could not well be limited, had to be given, to the great detriment of discipline and to the discontent of those to whom a similar privilege was refused by the attending physician. The winter

vacation, of a determined duration for all, obviates many of these difficulties, but until then such vacations had not been customary. The Cardinal graciously consulted the other bishops and the vacation was granted and came to stay. It proved so beneficial that other seminaries gradually adopted the practice, which, I think, is now almost universal in the United States.

CHAPTER XX.

1880–1881.

The students for the year 1880–1881 numbered one hundred and eighteen. The priests ordained from January to December, 1881, were:

Rev. James J. Fitzgerald, Boston;
absent on leave.

Rev. Joseph H. Conroy, Ogdensburg;
pastor of the cathedral, Ogdensburg, vicar-general of the diocese, Domestic Prelate.

Rev. John F. Broderick, Boston;
pastor of St. Teresa's church, Boston.

Rev. Joseph A. Lanahan, Albany;
died pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's church, Albany, N. Y., 1895.

Rev. Charles A. Meredith, New York;
died pastor of Suffern, N. Y., 1904.

Rev. George P. O'Callaghan, New York;
died pastor of Lake Mahopac, N. Y., 1891.

Rev. Peter F. Magann, New York;
died assistant of the church of the Holy Name, New York, 1888.

Rev. Thomas J. Quinn, New York;
pastor of Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.

Rev. James C. Rigney, New York;

died pastor of the church of Our Lady of Mercy, New York, 1898.

Rev. Christopher B. O'Reilly, New York;
died pastor of St. Martin of Tours' church, New York, 1905.

Rev. James H. Day, Rochester;
pastor of Mount Morris, N. Y.

Rev. Charles Flaherty, Rochester;
retired.

Rev. James J. McCarthy, Rochester;
died, retired, 1891.

Rev. Matthias D. Mussmaecher, Rochester;
died pastor of St. John the Evangelist's church, Greece, N. Y., 1890.

Rev. George J. Eisler, Rochester;
pastor of Caledonia, N. Y.

Rev. Andrew J. Clancy, New York;
died pastor of St. Ann's church, New York, 1894.

Rev. James P. Donahue, New York;
died, retired, 1904.

Rev. James G. Kelly, New York;
died pastor of White Plains, N. Y., 1900.

Rev. Joseph F. Flannelly, New York;
pastor of St. Veronica's church, New York.

Rev. Edward F. Moriarty, Boston;
pastor of St. Peter's church, Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. Michael J. McEvoy, New York;
pastor of the church of Our Lady of Mercy New York.

Rev. Dennis Nolan, Odgensburg;
pastor of Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Gallagher, New York;
retired.
Rev. James J. Walsh, Hartford;
assistant at St. Mary's church, New Britain, Conn.
Rev. John A. Waters, New York;
pastor of Port Chester, N. Y.
Rev. William P. Kenny, New York;
died pastor of Wurtsboro, N. Y., 1896.
Rev. Patrick J. O'Meara, New York;
pastor of Piermont, N. Y.

CHAPTER XXI.

1881–1882.

The scholastic year 1881–1882 counted one hundred and one students in theology and twenty-four in philosophy. The faculty remained unchanged. In various ordinations, from January to December, the following students were promoted to the priesthood:

Rev. Michael J. Considine, New York;
director in the Seminary, pastor of Holy Trinity church, New York.

Rev. James B. Conroy, Albany;
died, retired, 1883.

Rev. John J. Dillon, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Albany, N. Y.

Rev. Michael J. Egan, Peoria;
pastor of Eagle, Ill.

Rev. Richard J. Gahan, Albany;
died, retired, 1889.

Rev. Michael J. Feely, New York;
chaplain of the Misericordia Hospital, New York.

Rev. John F. Howard, Albany;
died pastor of New Lebanon, N. Y., 1887.

Rev. James L. Walsh, Albany;
pastor of Hudson, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Hickey, Rochester;
pastor of the Holy Family church, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Gleeson, Rochester;
pastor of Clyde, N. Y.
Rev. Joseph J. Magin, Rochester;
retired.
Rev. James P. Kiernan, Rochester;
died vicar-general of Rochester, pastor of St. Mary's church, Rochester, N. Y., 1900.
Rev. John J. Carr, New York;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Bronx, New York.
Rev. James W. Allison, Boston;
pastor of East Weymouth, Mass.
Rev. Joseph E. Keyes, Boston;
died assistant at St. Ann's church, Somerville, Mass., 1903.
Rev. Patrick B. McManus, Boston;
pastor of South Natick, Mass.
Rev. William H. Murphy, New York;
professor in the Seminary, pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's church, New York.
Rev. Nicholas J. Murphy, Boston;
pastor of Belmont, Mass.
Rev. Joseph P. Carrigan, Peoria;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Denver, Col.
Rev. Peter P. Owens, Peoria;
pastor of Monmouth, Ill.
Rev. Michael A. Quirk, Peoria;
pastor of Ottawa, Ill.
Rev. Henry A. Sullivan, Boston;
pastor of Danvers, Mass.

Rev. John W. Dolan, Albany;
died pastor of Johnstown, N. Y., 1904.
Rev. Daniel A. Curtin, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Glens Falls, N. Y.
Rev. William A. Ryan, Albany;
pastor of St. Agnes' church, Utica, N. Y.
Rev. Joseph J. Toomy, Albany;
died pastor of East Syracuse, N. Y., 1891.
Rev. Henry F. Xavier, New York;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, Yonkers, N. Y.

In July, 1882, the president of the Seminary was honored by his Alma Mater, the University of Louvain, with the honorary degree of Doctor in Theology

CHAPTER XXII.

1882–1883.

SEPTEMBER, 1882, commenced the new year with ninety-six students in theology and twenty in philosophy. The faculty was the same as in the previous year, consisting of six priests. The various ordinations from January to December, 1883, furnished the following priests:

Rev. John P. Hopkins, Rochester;
died in 1901, retired.

Rev. Richard J. Burns, New York;
pastor of Brewster, N. Y.

Rev. William J. McGill, New York;
died assistant at St. Charles Borromeo's church, New York, 1893.

Rev. Luke J. Evers, New York;
pastor of St. Andrew's church, New York, originator of the night workers' Mass.

Rev. Patrick F. Harrigan, Albany;
pastor of Philmont, N. Y.

Rev. Matthew K. Merns, Albany;
pastor of Granville, N. Y.

Rev. Joseph J. Ruby, Rochester;
pastor of Cato, N. Y.

Rev. Martin L. O'Connor, Peoria;
died assistant at the cathedral, Peoria, 1896.

Rev. John J. Boyle, New York;
pastor of St. Luke's church, New York.

Rev. James W. Hickey, Boston;
pastor of Foxboro, Mass.
Rev. James F. Maher, Springfield;
pastor of West Stockbridge, Mass.
Rev. Thomas J. Mahony, Boston;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, Boston, 1903.
Rev. Moses E. Parker, New York;
died, retired, 1905.
Rev. John Weir, New York;
pastor of Millbrook, N. Y.

The year 1883 was signalized by the celebration of the Fourth Provincial Council of New York, presided over by his Eminence Cardinal McCloskey. Most of the materials which were afterwards formulated into decrees were gathered and prepared for discussion by the Rt. Rev. Michael A. Corrigan, coadjutor bishop of the metropolitan see.

Mgr. Corrigan invited the professors of the Seminary to help him in this work, and the president was appointed one of the two secretaries of the Council. The schemata, slightly amended, were highly satisfactory to the ten Fathers of the Synod and, having been passed, were solemnly proclaimed. The decrees in due time were officially approved by the Congregation of the Propaganda, and in 1886 were canonically promulgated by the successor of Cardinal McCloskey, Archbishop Michael A. Corrigan. Several of the enactments of the Council were used as models by the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, which was held in 1884.

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CHAPTER XXIII.

1883–1884.

In 1883 the faculty received a valuable addition in the person of the Rev. Remy Lafort, S.T.L. (Louvain), who was appointed professor of Canon Law, Elementary Theology, and Introduction to the Holy Scriptures. He was temporarily assigned to the Seminary at the request of Cardinal McCloskey, by Mgr. Bracq, bishop of Ghent, as is shown by the following letter (from the French):

Praised be Jesus Christ.

Ghent, July 18, 1883.

M. le Président
of the Prov. Sem. of Troy.

I announce to you with pleasure that you will shortly have an excellent new professor. I mean M. Lafort, subregent of the normal school of M. Theresa at Louvain. His president and Mgr. Pieraerts, the Rector, resigned him to me praising him in the highest terms. He passed his examination for the Licentiate of Theology very brilliantly last year.

M. Lafort will leave about August 15 with a student of the American College, called by his bishop to occupy a chair.

I beg you to present my homage to the cardinal archbishop of New York and to tell him that it gives me pleasure to pass over to him one of my best priests, distinguished for his talents, his piety, and his zeal. M. Lafort remains attached to my diocese, but he is bound to that of New York or to the Provincial Seminary for five years.

Aid him to become increasingly a worthy priest so that he may render you the greatest services.

I am always,

Monsieur le Président,

Yours devotedly in Our Lord J. C.,

Henry, Bishop of Ghent.

M. le Président Gabriels.

The labors of the new professor proved most fruitful.

During the spring of 1884 the joyful tidings came from Rome that the Rev. Dennis M. Bradley ('70), of Portland, had been appointed first incumbent of the new see of Manchester, N. H. As he was the first alumnus of the Seminary to receive the mitre, his former professors and his fellow alumni decided to celebrate the event in an adequate manner. A grand entertainment, at which he was present, was held in Troy and a deputation of his comrades availed themselves of the opportunity to present him with a well-filled purse. The prelate expressed a lively gratitude and showed his love for his Alma Mater by donating two fine side altars for the chapel. His earnest labors as a bishop were crowned with undoubted success, but his zeal was greater than his strength. He died at Manchester, December 13, 1903, only fifty-seven years of age, but after rendering great services to his diocese and leaving after him the reputation of a worthy and pious prelate. As will be seen from our lists of ordinations, Bishop Bradley was not to be the only alumnus of St. Joseph's raised to the episcopate.

The number of students enrolled during the scholastic year 1883–1884 ran up to one hundred and thirty-one. Between January and December, 1884, the following were called to the priesthood:

Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, Rochester;
auxiliary bishop of Rochester, 1905.
Rev. Daniel W. Kavanaugh, Rochester;
pastor of St. Bridget's church, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. Augustine M. O'Neill, Rochester;
pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. John C. Higgins, Albany;
died pastor of Clayville, N. Y., 1894.
Rev. John A. McKenna, New York;
pastor of St. Aloysius' church, New York.
Rev. John J. Owens, New York;
pastor of Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Rev. Edward R. Prendergast, Albany;
pastor of Boonville, N. Y.
Rev. Michael J. Mulhern, New York;
pastor of Tarrytown, N. Y.
Rev. Eugene A. Shine, New York;
pastor of Paulding, N. Y.
Rev. John S. Nelligan, Springfield;
pastor of Miller's Falls, Mass.
Rev. Michael V. Aylward, New York;
pastor of Rhinecliff, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. Brady, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Cohoes, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. Clancy, New York;
died pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Port Jervis, N. Y., 1905.
Rev. Patrick E. Fitzsimons, New York;
chaplain of Sacred Heart Academy, Westchester, N. Y.

Rev. John H. Griffin, Boston;
assistant at Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea, Boston, Mass.
Rev. Francis X. Kelly, New York;
pastor of Mount Kisco, N. Y.
Rev. John P. Lonargan, New York;
pastor of Hyde Park, N. Y.
Rev. Francis P. Moore, New York;
pastor of church of St. Frances of Rome, New York.
Rev. James P. O'Connor, Albany;
pastor of the cathedral, Albany.
Rev. Charles T. O'Connor, Boston;
assistant at Revere, Mass.
Rev. John T. Power, New York;
died pastor of Livingston Manor, N. Y., 1900.
Rev. Dennis J. Sullivan, Boston;
assistant at SS. Peter and Paul's church, Boston, Mass.
Rev. Thomas W. Wallace, New York;
pastor of St. Angela Merici's church, New York.
Rev. Michael J. A. Welsh, New York;
died chaplain of House of the Good Shepherd, New York, 1900.

In September, 1883, took place the decease of the only student, as far as I remember, who died while in residence at St. Joseph's. The young cleric thus prematurely taken away was John Bulger, a student of philosophy from Rochester. He was seized with a hemorrhage of the lungs, and ran to the pumproom,

where he expired so suddenly that it was doubtful whether he was still alive when Extreme Unction was administered to him.

In 1884 both Rev. Dr. Mahony and Rev. Dr. Woods withdrew from the Seminary. They did so to devote themselves to the care of souls. Dr. Mahony is now the able rector of St. Augustine's church at Ossining; Dr. Woods died November 27, 1898, in charge of the parish of the Annunciation, Manhattanville, New York City.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1884–1885.

This fall saw the opening of the new St. John's Seminary of Brighton, Mass., founded by the Most Rev. Archbishop Williams of Boston for his own growing archdiocese and for such of the New England dioceses as would choose to send their students there. Of course this considerably reduced the number of our pupils. The new institution was entrusted to the priests of St. Sulpice. For a number of years the domestic service was in charge of the Brothers of Our Lady of Lourdes, the same order that had rendered such faithful service to St. Joseph's.

The chairs of Philosophy and Sacred Eloquence were held for some years by the Rev. Daniel F. X. Burke, D.D., of the diocese of New York, while the Rev. William A. McDonald, of the diocese of Rochester ('78), became professor of Liturgy. The five Belgian professors were still at their posts. The president, however, having been chosen one of the theologians, and later one of the secretaries of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, spent several months in that city.

The new school year 1884–1885 saw one hundred and forty-two students within the walls of the Seminary. The gentlemen ordained from January to December, 1885, were the following:

Rev. John S. Nelligan, Rochester;
pastor of Union Springs, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas B. O'Brien, Rochester;
died, retired, 1900.
Rev. James J. Hartley, Rochester;
pro-rector of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Cusack, New York;
auxiliary bishop of New York, pastor of St. Stephen's church, New York.
Rev. Thomas F. Galligan, New York;
died assistant at St. Elizabeth's church, New York, 1905.
Rev. Peter F. McCall, Boston;
assistant at St. James' church, Salem, Mass.
Rev. Morgan J. O'Connell, New York;
retired.
Rev. Francis J. O'Reilly, Peoria;
rector of the cathedral, Peoria, Ill.
Rev. Michael F. Ambrose, Ogdensburg;
pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Keeseville, N. Y.
Rev. Francis X. Ege, Rochester;
pastor of Beecher, Ill.
Rev. Felix O'Hanlon, Rochester;
pastor of Clifton Springs, N. Y.
Rev. Dennis F. Coyle, New York;
pastor of Amenia, New York.
Rev. William J. B. Daly, New York;
pastor of St. Malachy's church, New York.
Rev. Francis J. Jones, New York;
died, retired, 1894.

Rev. Francis C. Lenes, New York;
pastor of Rosendale, N. Y.
Rev. Joseph S. Mechler, New York;
assistant at St. Jerome's church, New York.
Rev. John V. Quinn, New York;
retired.
Rev. William J. Fennessy, Boston;
in diocese of Newark.
Rev. William F. Powers, Boston;
pastor of Merrimack, Mass.
Rev. Patrick F. McEvoy, D.D., Albany;
secretary to the bishop, Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. David Sheehan, Albany;
died, retired, 1901.
Rev. Francis J. Toolan, Albany;
pastor of Newport, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick F. Wallace, Albany;
pastor of Frankfort, N. Y.
Rev. Maurice E. Brick, Trenton;
pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, Camden, N. J.
Rev. Edward J. Egan, Trenton;
pastor of Seabright, N. J.
Rev. Nicholas M. Freeman, Trenton;
died pastor of East Millstone, N. J., 1895.
Rev. Andrew F. Harty, Hartford;
pastor of Chester, Conn.
Rev. Thomas J. Kenna, Hartford;
pastor of Bristol, Conn.
Rev. William J. McGurk, Hartford;
pastor of South Manchester, Conn.

Rev. John F. Leonard, Springfield;
pastor of Lee, Mass.
Rev. Patrick H. O'Connell, Peoria;
retired.

CHAPTER XXV.

1885–1886.

During the school year 1885–1886 the number of theologians was one hundred and ten, that of philosophers twenty-five. The faculty underwent no change.

The following is the list of priests ordained from January to December, 1886:

Rev. Edward D. Kelly, Detroit;
pastor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Rev. Patrick B. Dempsey, Albany;
pastor of St. Michael's church, Troy, N. Y.

Rev. Joseph H. Fitzgerald, Albany;
died pastor of Hudson, N. Y., 1905.

Rev. Thomas H. Irving, New York;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, Rondout, 1887.

Rev. Joseph H. McMahon, D.D., New York;
pastor of the church of Our Lady of Lourdes, New York.

Rev. Edward P. Murphy, New York;
assistant at SS. Peter and Paul's church, New York.

Rev. William A. Jackson, New York;
pastor of Tompkins Cove, N. Y.

Rev. Nicholas M. Reinhart, New York;
died pastor of the church of the Ascension, New York, 1900.

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Rev. John H. Butler, Rochester;
died, retired, 1892.
Rev. Patrick J. Clune, Rochester;
died pastor of church of the Holy Family, Rochester, N. Y., 1897.
Rev. Bernard F. Brady, New York;
pastor of St. John Chrysostom's church, New York.
Rev. Michael J. Coyne, Springfield;
pastor of Huntington, Mass.
Rev. Hugh P. Cullum, New York;
pastor of Suffern, N. Y.
Rev. James B. Donnelly, New York;
died, retired, 1899.
Rev. John F. Griffin, Springfield;
assistant at the Holy Rosary church, Holyoke, Mass.
Rev. George S. Mahon, Syracuse;
pastor of Pompey, N. Y.
Rev. Dennis E. Murphy, Albany;
died pastor of Oneonta, N. Y., 1904.
Rev. Michael J. Looney, Albany;
pastor of Castleton, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas L. Kinkead, New York;
died chaplain of Sisters of St. Francis, Peekskill, N. Y., and Supervisor of Catholic Charities, 1905.
Rev. Francis J. Ryan, Boston;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Somerville, Mass.
Rev. Joseph F. Sheahan, New York;
pastor of Pocantico Hills, N. Y.

Rev. John V. Simmons, Albany;
pastor of St. Paul's church, Binghamton, N. Y.
Rev. Edward F. Somers, New York;
retired.
Rev. Michael L. Walsh, Albany;
pastor of St. Vincent's church, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas A. Walsh, Boston;
assistant at St. Patrick's church, Boston, Mass.

In June of this year the rustic shrine of the Sacred Heart back of the Seminary was dedicated. The expense was borne by the students. They also took care to have it always neatly decorated with flowers.

The shrine was often visited by them, sometimes in a body, sometimes individually, as their devotion prompted them, and thus was kindled in their hearts the love which had burned with such ardor in the Heart of the Saviour.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1886–1887.

Beginning with 1886 the course of philosophy was lengthened to two years; this with four years of theology extended the entire course to six years. The change was in accordance with the decree of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore which had been promulgated in January by the Delegate Apostolic, Archbishop Gibbons of Baltimore.

To the sorrow of professors and students, ill-health compelled the efficient director Father William A. McDonald to seek more active, open-air work. He returned to Rochester, where he soon recovered his former strength. Ever since he has successfully exercised the holy ministry at Seneca Falls and Geneva, where he occupies the honorable position of rural dean.

With the consent of the Most Rev. Archbishop the place of director was offered to and accepted by the Rev. Michael J. Considine ('82), who filled the post very efficiently for three years. Otherwise the staff was unchanged.

During the school year 1886–1887 there came to the Seminary ninety-three students for theology and thirty-one for philosophy. The ordinations from January to December, 1887, were as follows:

Rev. Edward V. Higgins, New York;
absent on leave.
Rev. John J. McGuinness, Syracuse;
died pastor of Truxton, N. Y., 1900.
Rev. John McBride, Manchester;
retired.
Rev. John W. Schwinn, New York;
assistant at St. Andrew's church, Ellenville, N. Y.
Rev. William H. White, Albany;
assistant at Little Falls, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Barrett, Albany;
pastor of Salem, N. Y.
Rev. Andrew Cunningham, Albany;
died assistant at St. Ann's church, Albany, N. Y., 1899.
Rev. Joseph S. Graham, Albany;
pastor of the church of the Blessed Sacrament, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. Walter J. Torpey, Albany;
pastor of West Winfield, N. Y.
Rev. James T. Dougherty, Rochester;
pastor of Canandaigua, N. Y.
Rev. Leo C. Beaudet, New York;
pastor of Port Ewen, N. Y.
Rev. John H. Briody, New York;
pastor of Matteawan, N. Y.
Rev. John P. Chidwick, New York;
pastor of St. Ambrose's church, New York.
Rev. William F. Dougherty, New York;
director of Catholic Seamen's Reading-rooms, New York.

Rev. Francis M. Fagan, New York;
pastor of Whiteport, N. Y.
Rev. James S. Fenton, New York;
pastor of Cornwall, N. Y.
Rev. Daniel Doody, Syracuse;
pastor of St. Francis de Sales' church, Utica, N. Y.
Rev. William F. Dwyer, Syracuse;
pastor of St. John's church, Oswego, N. Y.
Rev. William Livingston, New York;
director of Seminary, pastor of St. Peter's church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., rural dean.
Rev. John J. Morris, New York;
pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, Port Jervis, N. Y.
Rev. Lawrence E. Murray, New York;
pastor of Lake Mahopac, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas M. O'Keefe, New York;
assistant at St. Benedict the Moor's church, New York.
Rev. William P. Quinn, Syracuse;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, Utica, N. Y., 1901.
Rev. Francis X. Hulse, New York;
died assistant at St. Michael's church, New York, 1890.

During the vacation of 1887 the Rev. Daniel F. X. Burke, D.D., requested the Archbishop again to assign him to work in the ministry, in which he has since exercised his zeal with signal success. He is now (1905) rector of the church of St. Philip Neri in the Bronx,

New York. Here, in addition to his regular parishioners, he has voluntarily taken charge of the Italian immigrants who have settled in the neighborhood. His place at the Seminary was taken by the Rev. William H. Murphy ('82), of New York.

Pope Leo XIII, who since 1878 had steered the bark of Peter, celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood in 1888. The whole world joined in this joyful celebration. St. Joseph's Seminary showed its love and devotion to the Holy See and its illustrious incumbent by sending him an address of congratulation. The following reply rewarded their expression of loyalty and faith:

Illme. Domine:

Obsequentissimae litterae sacerdotali SSmi Domini Nostri appetente jubilaeo ab alumnis istius Seminarii datae ad manus pervenerunt Sanctitatis Suae quae exhibitas filialis amoris significationes gratulationesque summopere acceptas habuit.

Nunc vero periucundum mihi accidit, grati animi sensus Sanctitatis Suae de eius speciali mandato Dominationi Tuae patefacere unaque simul Apostolicam Benedictionem communicare quam eadem Sanctitas Sua memoratis alumnis necnon Moderatoribus ac Professoribus Seminarii toto cordis affectu impertiri dignata est. Quam nactus occasionem observantiae meae sensus tibi libenter testor ac fausta quaecumque apprecor a Domino.

Romae die 18 Maii 1888.

Dominationis Tuae
Addictissimus,
M. Card. Rampolla.

R. D. Henrico Gabriels,
Rectori Seminarii Provincialis,
Neo Eboracensis, S. Joseph.
(New York) Troy.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1887–1888.

In September, 1887, one hundred and thirty-four students entered the Seminary. Of these the following were ordained in the course of the year 1888:

Rev. William H. Griffin, Syracuse;
pastor of New Hartford, N. Y.

Rev. William P. Fitzgerald, Albany;
pastor of Catskill, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas F. Hughes, Albany;
died pastor of Hancock, N. Y., 1902.

Rev. Michael F. McCarthy, Albany;
died pastor of Middle Granville, N. Y., 1901.

Rev. William Gleeson, Rochester;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. William Payne, Rochester;
pastor of Charlotte, N. Y.

Rev. John G. Van Ness, Rochester;
pastor of the church of the Holy Rosary, Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Augustus M. J. Pellieux, New York;
director of St. Joseph's Trade School, New York.

Rev. John E. O'Shaughnessy, New York;
died assistant at St. Agnes' church, New York, 1890.

Rev. John S. Braun, New York;
pastor of St. Andrew's church, Ellenville, N. Y.
Rev. William R. Butler, New York;
died assistant at Middletown, N. Y., 1896.
Rev. Dennis B. Collins, Albany;
died pastor of West Winfield, N. Y., 1894.
Rev. Patrick Donahoe, Syracuse;
pastor of Waterville, N. Y.
Rev. Francis X. A. Fremel, New York;
died, retired, 1900.
Rev. Peter F. Guinevan, New York;
pastor of Tuxedo, N. Y.
Rev. Edward C. Hearn, Peoria;
pastor of Merna, Ill.
Rev. Edward F. McCue, New York;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Kingston, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Myhan, New York;
pastor of St. Ann's church, New York.
Rev. Daniel H. O'Dwyer, New York;
pastor of St. John's church, Kingsbridge, N. Y.
Rev. Matthew Rhatigan, Albany;
pastor of Hancock, N. Y.
Rev. John D. Roach, New York;
pastor of the church of the Holy Spirit, New York.
Rev. Joseph S. Tiernan, Syracuse;
pastor of Camden, N. Y.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1888–1889.

The new scholastic year 1888–1889 found the seven professors at their accustomed work. One hundred and four students of theology were entered on the rolls as well as forty for the two years of philosophy. Nothing of importance occurred during the scholastic year.

The following candidates were promoted to the priesthood from January to December, 1889:

Rev. Francis N. Stuart, Albany;
died pastor of Coxsackie, N. Y., 1901.

Rev. Daniel J. Feehan, New York;
died assistant at St. Rose of Lima's church, New York, 1900.

Rev. Bernard J. Reilly, New York;
pastor of the church of the Nativity, New York.

Rev. Matthew Sheridan, Albany;
pastor of Valatie, N. Y.

Rev. James B. Gilloon, Albany;
pastor of Dolgeville, N. Y.

Rev. Philias S. Garand, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Clayton, N. Y.

Rev. John McGrath, Rochester;
pastor of St. Aloysius' church, Auburn, N. Y

Rev. James Fitzsimmons, S.T.B., New York;
professor in Seminary, pastor of Dobb's Ferry, N. Y.
Rev. William C. Kelly, New York;
died assistant at St. John the Evangelist's church, New York, 1896.
Rev. John T. Driscoll, S.T.L., Albany;
pastor of Fonda, N. Y.
Rev. James A. Dooley, New York;
pastor of Milton, N. Y.
Rev. William F. Dougherty, Syracuse;
pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's church, Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. Michael J. Duffy, New York;
pastor of Croton Falls, N. Y.
Rev. Edward I. Holden, New York;
on sick leave.
Rev. John J. McCabe, New York;
pastor of Saugerties, N. Y.
Rev. John F. McLoghlin, Syracuse;
pastor of East Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Meade, New York;
died assistant at St. Thomas the Apostle's church, New York, 1898.
Rev. William F. O'Connor, Albany;
pastor of St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Murphy, New York;
assistant at cathedral, New York.
Rev. Patrick Ronayne, New York;
on sick leave.
Rev. Patrick J. Minogue, New York;
pastor of Warwick, N. Y.

Rev. Bartholomew A. Stack, Syracuse;
pastor of Camillus, N. Y.

During the mid-summer vacations the Rev. Michael J. Considine was transferred from his position in the Seminary to parochial work in the city of New York. He had performed his duties as director faithfully and he was equally conscientious and efficient in the new work now entrusted to him. He was especially vigorous and useful as inspector of schools in the metropolis. Father Considine was afterward promoted to the rectorship of the new parish of the Holy Trinity, West 82d street, New York.

His successor at St. Joseph's was the Rev. William Livingston ('87).

CHAPTER XXIX.

1889–1890.

THE number of students, old and new, in 1889–1890 was one hundred and thirty-nine, eighty-seven theologians and fifty-two philosophers. The annual ordinations included the following:

Rev. Herbert Regenbogen, Rochester;
pastor of St. Alphonsus' church, Auburn, N. Y.

Rev. William F. Mahony, Albany;
assistant at Ilion, N. Y.

Rev. John P. Quinn, Rochester;
pastor of Mount Read, N. Y.

Rev. Bernard A. Brady, New York;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, Yonkers, N. Y.

Rev. Peter W. Spellman, New York;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, New York.

Rev. Dennis E. Smith, Albany;
died, retired, 1897.

The smallness of the number of seminarians admitted to the priesthood was due to the lengthening of the course mentioned above.

In June, 1890, the Rev. Charles Roelants decided to pay a visit to Belgium with the intention of returning in September. But once there, he changed his mind.

His advancing age and the entreaties of his relatives induced him to spend the remainder of his life in his native city of Ghent. The bishop, Mgr. Stillemans, favorably received his request to be readmitted to his old diocese, and he immediately appointed him titular canon (entitled to a salary) of the cathedral of St. Bavo and *Censor Librorum* of the diocese. While residing at Ghent, Father Roelants published for the use of his former pupils a brief commentary on the Gospel of St. Matthew. He died on January 15, 1901, at the age of seventy-four, esteemed by all who knew him and regretted especially by his old pupils.

CHAPTER XXX.

1890–1891.

The vacancy created in the Seminary by Father Roelants' resignation was not easy to fill, though all did their best to supply the deficiency. The course of Scripture was taken by Father Lafort, and a new professor, the Rev. James Fitzsimmons, S.T.B. (Washington), of New York, taught Logic and Philosophy. The number of students increased to ninety-six theologians and sixty-one philosophers. The following students were raised to the priesthood from January to December, 1891:

Rev. John J. Conway, New York;
died assistant at Stapleton, N. Y., 1899.

Rev. Michael Cunniff, New York;
pastor of the church of the Holy Name of Jesus, Kingston, N. Y.

Rev. James E. Goggin, New York;
assistant at Holy Trinity church, New York.

Rev. William R. Hayes, New York;
assistant at St. Veronica's church, New York.

Rev. James Mangan, New York;
died assistant at Sacred Heart church, New York, 1903.

Rev. Thomas F. O'Connor, New York;
assistant at St. Stephen's church, New York.

Rev. Coleman F. O'Loughlin, Rochester;
pastor of Phelps, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas J. Donlon, New York;
assistant at Irvington, N. Y.
Rev. Michael F. Mooney, Albany;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas J. Heafy, New York;
assistant at St. Martin of Tours' church, New York.
Rev. John Ryan, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Sacred Heart, New York, 1902.
Rev. John T. Slattery, Albany;
pastor of Stamford, N. Y.
Rev. Michael J. Shine, New York;
assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, Port Jervis, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas J. Keenan, New York;
assistant at All Saints' church, New York.
Rev. John J. Lennon, New York;
assistant at St. Francis de Sales' church, New York.
Rev. Joseph Dereszewski, Albany;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Schenectady, N. Y.
Rev. John J. McEvoy, New York;
pastor of Sylvan Lake, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Mallon, New York;
assistant at St. Rose of Lima's church, New York.
Rev. John H. Strzelecki, New York;
pastor of St. Stanislaus' church, New York.

CHAPTER XXXI.

1891–1892.

In September, 1891, the faculty remained the same as in the previous year. Students entered to the number of one hundred and sixty-six, one hundred to study theology and sixty-six for philosophy. At various ordinations from January, 1892, to January, 1893, the following were raised to the priesthood:

Rev. Patrick H. Drain, New York;
pastor of Cold Spring, N. Y.

Rev. Patrick W. Breslin, New York;
pastor of Livingston Manor, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Peter J. Donnelly, Albany;
pastor of Palmer's Falls, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Bartholomew F. Galligan, New York;
assistant at St. John the Evangelist's church, New York. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. John F. Kelihan, New York;
assistant at St. John the Evangelist's church, New York. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Michael F. Keliher, New York;
assistant at St. Ambrose's church, New York. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Joseph V. McDonald, New York;
died, retired, 1905. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. John H. Dooley, New York;
pastor of Tivoli, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Joseph A. A. Hopkins, Syracuse;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Oswego, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Charles B. McKenna, New York;
died assistant at St. Ann's church, New York, 1893. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Charles T. Murphy, New York;
assistant at the church of the Blessed Sacrament, New York. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. William J. Quinn, New York;
died assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York, 1902. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Thomas A. Thornton, New York;
assistant at St. Gabriel's church, New York, superintendent of schools. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Eugene A. Carney, Albany;
died, retired, 1900. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Michael J. Dinneen, Albany;
died, retired, 1897. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. John S. McCarthy, Albany;
pastor of Oneonta, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.

Rev. Daniel P. J. Mahony, Albany;
pastor of Johnsonville, N. Y. Ordained by Bishop Gabriels.
Rev. Daniel E. Casey, Albany;
assistant at St. Ann's church, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. Malick J. Fitzpatrick, New York;
director of the mission of the Immaculate Virgin, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Flood, New York;
retired.
Rev. Francis A. Greagan, Albany;
pastor of Coxsackie, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. Hayes, D.D., New York;
chancellor and secretary to the archbishop of New York, president of the Cathedral College.
Rev. Joseph F. Smith, New York;
assistant at the church of the Holy Cross, New York, superintendent of schools.
Rev. James P. Foy, Syracuse;
died pastor of Lestershire, N. Y., 1904.
Rev. Michael F. Horan, New York;
died assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York, 1899.
Rev. Arthur J. Kenny, New York;
assistant at St. Paul's church, New York.
Rev. James A. McGuire, Syracuse;
died assistant at Syracuse, N. Y., 1893.
Rev. John F. E. McGuire, New York;
died assistant at St. Augustine's church, New York, 1903.
Rev. Dennis McHugh, Albany;
pastor of New Lebanon, N. Y.

Rev. John McMahon, Rochester;
pastor of Groton, N. Y.
Rev. James F. Malloy, New York;
assistant at St. Charles Borromeo's church, New York.
Rev. William F. Meehan, New York;
assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York.
Rev. Henry A. Miller, Albany;
pastor of Sandlake, N. Y.
Rev. Daniel A. O'Connell, New York;
assistant at St. Jerome's church, New York.
Rev. James F. O'Shea, Syracuse;
pastor of St. Cecilia's church, Solvay, Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas J. Reilly, New York;
assistant at the church of the Ascension, New York.
Rev. Thomas J. Walsh, Albany;
pastor of Coeymans, N. Y.
Rev. Edward J. Higgins, Albany;
died, retired, 1893.
Rev. W. F. E. Keefe, Albany;
pastor of Hunter, N. Y.

CHAPTER XXXII.

1892–1893.

As has been suggested by the preceding list, a great change took place in the faculty of St. Joseph's during the school year of 1891–1892. Bishop Wadhams of Ogdensburg died on December 5, 1891, and the Holy See, on the recommendation of the bishops of the province, on December 20 of the same year appointed as his successor the president of the Troy Seminary. The consecration of the new prelate took place in the cathedral of Albany on May 5, 1892, Archbishop Corrigan officiating, assisted by Bishops McNeirny of Albany and Ludden of Syracuse. Bishop McQuaid of Rochester preached the sermon. At this ceremony there were present archbishops and bishops from Canada as well as from the United States, twenty-three in all, no less than five hundred priests, mostly graduates of St. Joseph's, and one hundred and fifty seminarians.

Bishop Gabriels resigned the presidency of the Seminary in April, 1892. His colleague, the Very Rev. Peter A. Puissant, D.D. (honorary, Louvain), was appointed his successor. President Puissant thenceforth lectured on Church History; Father Fivez became professor of Moral Theology and treasurer, Father Murphy succeeding the latter in the chair of Dogmatic

Yours entirely.
P. A. Tissaint.

Theology. Soon after, the faculty was completed by the appointment of the Rev. Joseph Delany, an alumnus of St. Joseph's, who had gone to Rome and there had been promoted to the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology.

The year 1892–1893 brought to the Seminary one hundred and seventy-three students. Of these the following received Holy Orders in the course of the year:

Rev. James J. Brown, New York;
assistant at St. Mary's of the Assumption church, New York.

Rev. John F. Dowling, New York;
died assistant at St. John the Evangelist's church, New York, 1897.

Rev. Michael P. Gallagher, New York;
assistant at St. Peter's church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Rev. David A. Murray, New York;
assistant at St. Veronica's church, New York.

Rev. Thomas P. Walsh, Albany;
retired?

Rev. Bartholomew Molejkaities, Albany;
pastor of St. Casimir's church, Albany, N. Y.

Rev. James R. Walsh, Albany;
died assistant at Hudson, N. Y., 1901.

Rev. Bartholomew McLoghlin, Ogdensburg;
absent on leave.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1893–1894.

THE next year brought only one hundred and twenty-nine students to the Seminary, the decrease being chiefly due to the opening of St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester.

The ordinations of the year were of the following:

Rev. James N. Aylward, New York;
assistant at St. Cecilia's church, New York.

Rev. William Courtney, New York;
diocesan missionary, New York.

Rev. Cornelius F. Crowley, New York;
assistant at All Saints' church, New York.

Rev. Cornelius J. Crowley, New York;
assistant at St. Columba's church, New York.

Rev. Andrew F. Cusack, New York;
died, retired, 1902.

Rev. Thomas E. Delaney, Albany;
assistant at St. John's church, Schenectady, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas J. Doyle, New York;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, New York.

Rev. Timothy L. Driscoll, New York;
died, retired, 1899.

Rev. John J. Fay, New York;
assistant at the church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, New York.

Rev. Malachy J. Garvey, Rochester;
pastor of Livonia, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Higgins, Syracuse;
assistant at Skaneateles, N. Y.
Rev. James F. McNamara, New York;
assistant at the church of the Holy Innocents, New York.
Rev. Francis J. Sullivan, New York;
assistant at St. Ann's church, New York.
Rev. Daniel A. Gibbons, New York;
died assistant at the Guardian Angels' church, New York, 1900.
Rev. Dennis Moore, Syracuse;
assistant at St. Agnes' church, Utica, N. Y.
Rev. John L. Morrissey, Albany;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. Stanislaus Nowak, New York;
pastor of Florida, N. Y.
Rev. John P. Wallace, Albany;
assistant at Little Falls, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Lynch, Albany;
assistant at the cathedral, Albany, N. Y.
Rev. James F. Dolan, Albany;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Troy, N. Y.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1894–1895.

THE following were ordained priests before the close of the scholastic year 1894–1895:

Rev. Joseph E. Bergan, New York;
assistant at St. Raphael's church, New York.

Rev. Philip O'Hanlon, New York;
absent on sick leave.

Rev. Charles Pauli, New York;
priest in Italy.

Rev. Patrick F. Scully, Albany;
assistant at St. Patrick's church, Troy, N. Y.

Rev. Otto F. Strack, New York;
rector of St. Anthony of Padua's church, New York.

Rev. Michael Walsh, New York;
died assistant at Emigrants' Home, New York, 1904.

CHAPTER XXXV.

1895–1896.

During the year St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary was closed and the Seminary of the Archdiocese of New York was opened at Dunwoodie. The following priests were the last ordained in Troy:

Rev. John Simard, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Peru, N. Y.

Rev. Patrick P. Carey, New York;
Chaplain, U. S. Navy.

Rev. James A. Collins, New York;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Williamsbridge, N. Y.

Rev. Joseph P. Donahue, New York;
assistant at St. Stephen's church, New York.

Rev. Ambrose M. Dwyer, Syracuse;
pastor of Lestershire, N. Y.

Rev. John Glavin, Albany;
assistant at St. John's church, Rensselaer, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Harrington, New York;
assistant at St. Mary's church, New York.

Rev. John J. Hickey, New York;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Rondout, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas B. Kelly, New York;
assistant at St. Gabriel's church, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Rev. Cornelius E. Linehan, Albany;
pastor of Chatham, N. Y.

Rev. Bernard F. McKenna, New York;
assistant at St. Catharine of Genoa's church, New York.
Rev. John F. Meehan, New York;
assistant at St. Raymond's church, New York.
Rev. William T. St. John, New York;
assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York.
Rev. Robert A. Weir, New York;
rector of East Kingston, N. Y.
Rev. Anthony Gorski, Albany;
pastor of St. Stanislaus' church, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Rev. Louis F. Cusack, New York;
assistant at the church of the Ascension, New York.
Rev. Peter P. Cusack, New York;
sick.
Rev. William J. Mulcahy, New York;
assistant at the church of the Sacred Heart, West New Brighton, N. Y.
Rev. John H. Ready, Albany;
sick.
Rev. William H. Walsh, Albany;
assistant at St. John's church, Schenectady, N. Y.
Rev. James H. Brehny, New York;
died assistant at St. Jerome's church, New York, 1900.
Rev. Joseph G. Cushman, New York;
assistant at the church of the Sacred Heart, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Rev. John J. Dunn, New York;
director of the Propagation of the Faith in diocese of New York.
Rev. John W. Farrar, Syracuse;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Oswego, N. Y.
Rev. Terence E. Gilmartin, New York;
assistant at the church of the Blessed Sacrament, New York.
Rev. Matthew C. Gleeson, New York;
chaplain of the U. S. Battleship "Missouri."
Rev. Edward J. Halloran, New York;
died assistant at the church of the Immaculate Conception, New York, 1899.
Rev. Arthur J. Kenny, New York;
assistant at St. Michael's church, New York.
Rev. Edward F. Leonard, New York;
assistant at St. Peter's church, New York.
Rev. Thomas F. Lyman, New York;
died, retired, 1900.
Rev. John A. McGraw, D.D., Syracuse;
pastor of Baldwinsville, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Maher, New York;
assistant at SS. Peter and Paul's church, New York.
Rev. Michael J. Mara, Syracuse;
died assistant at St. John's church, Utica, N. Y., 1899.
Rev. David F. O'Connor, New York;
assistant at St. Andrew's church, New York.
Rev. Edward F. O'Sullivan, New York;
pastor of Sawkill, N. Y.

Rev. Thomas F. Owens, New York;
assistant at St. Andrew's church, New York.
Rev. Thomas P. Phelan, New York;
assistant at the church of the Epiphany, New York.
Rev. James J. Power, New York;
assistant at church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, New York.
Rev. Daniel A. Quinn, New York;
assistant at St. Malachy's church, New York.
Rev. Francis Rusin, Syracuse;
pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, Syracuse, N. Y.
Rev. James A. Talbot, New York;
assistant at St. Augustine's church, New York.
Rev. James Wilson, New York;
assistant at St. Raymond's church, New York.
Rev. Julian A. Zielinski, Trenton;
pastor of St. Stephen's church, Perth Amboy, N. J.

1. RT. REV. ARTHUR J. TEELING. 2. RT. REV. JOHN S. MICHAUD. 3. RT. REV. MICHAEL TIERNEY. 4. RT. REV. PHILIP J. GARRIGAN. 5. RT. REV. DENIS M. BRADLEY.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

ST. JOSEPH'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

THE year 1900 saw the beginnings of the Troy Alumni Association, which has since become a flourishing organization. The aim of this society is to keep fresh old memories among its members, to foster friendship among the priests who studied in Troy, and to provide the means for doing any good work suggested by their former connection with St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary. They gather every year in New York to assist at a Pontifical Mass celebrated at their request, to attend to the election of officers and to the business of the society, and to convene at a fraternal banquet where for a few hours convivial wit and postprandial eloquence reign supreme. The president for the last two years has been the Right Rev. Arthur Teeling, Domestic Prelate, permanent rector of St. Mary's, Lynn, Mass.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

CLOSING OF THE SEMINARY.

From the time he succeeded Cardinal McCloskey as archbishop of New York, Mgr. Corrigan had entertained the idea of entrusting his Seminary to the Fathers of St. Sulpice, who had refused to take charge of it in 1863. One of his chief reasons for making the change was the difficulty of recruiting from the secular clergy of the archdiocese a body of men willing to devote their lives to the education of candidates for the priesthood. As the Belgian professors were advancing in age, he thought that the best way out of this dilemma was to replace them by men who are especially trained to educate the clergy, in a congregation established for this purpose, and who spend their lives in the direction and instruction of seminary students. Moreover, the desire of the priests of the archdiocese, who wished to have the Seminary located at a place nearer the city and more convenient both for the clerical students and for themselves on the occasion of their annual retreats, suggested the removal of the Seminary from Troy to the neighborhood of the metropolis.

Accordingly the Archbishop cast about for a site suitable to his plans whereon he might build an institution worthy of the Empire City archdiocese. The first place selected was Scarborough, near Ossining, but

as the grounds were somewhat distant from the railroad, they were sold again and the property now occupied by St. Joseph's Seminary at Dunwoodie, near Yonkers, was purchased. Thousands of Catholics, lay and clerical, remember the solemn laying of the cornerstone, in the presence of an immense concourse of people, on Sunday, May 17, 1891.

But it took time to erect the magnificent building which now crowns what was formerly known as Valentine Hill. Meantime, the old Seminary at Troy, while pursuing the even tenor of its way, could not expect to receive as many students as formerly; for other bishops of the province, knowing of the impending change, ceased to patronize the institution to the same extent as before. The transfer of the New York students to their new home was finally effected in 1896. His Grace the Archbishop had kindly promised positions in the archdiocese to every member of the old faculty who did not choose to lend his services to the Sulpician Fathers of the new St. Joseph's.

One of them, however, could not avail himself of either offer. The Rev. Father Fivez had been ailing for quite a time when in the month of May, 1896, his illness took a serious turn. The malady grew constantly worse until the bright and beloved teacher of so many priests died in the Troy hospital, November 6, 1896, at the premature age of fifty-six years. A funeral worthy of the esteem in which he was held was given him in St. Patrick's church, Troy. His former colleague Bishop Gabriels celebrated the Pontifical Mass, surrounded by a host of priests, nearly all of them former pupils of the deceased professor. The

church overflowed with hundreds of laymen who had come to testify their respect for the deceased dignitary. Father Daniel Curtin, now of Glens Falls, preached a magnificent funeral oration. Father Fivez was buried in the priests' lot of St. Agnes' Cemetery, Albany.

The third and last head of old St. Joseph's, the Very Rev. Peter A. Puissant, D.D., resigned the presidency and took up his residence in the city of New York, where he was made *Defensor Matrimonii*, at the same time remaining president of the Board of Synodal Examiners. In 1901 he was offered the canonical prebend made vacant in the cathedral chapter of Ghent by the death of his former colleague the Very Rev. Canon Roelants. He accepted and returned to Belgium. We all hope that he may still live many years before ending a life usefully spent in the service of the Church.

The Rev. Remy Lafort accompanied his pupils to their new home, where he filled the chair of Sacred Scripture. Two years after he resigned, and since then he has been the chaplain of several convents as well as *Censor Librorum* for the archdiocese. He is now chaplain of St. Francis' Convent, Peekskill, N. Y.

Two other Trojan professors, the Rev. William Livingston and the Rev. James Fitzsimmons, joined the new faculty of Dunwoodie. Father Livingston lectured on Church History, Liturgy, and Sacred Eloquence. He resigned at the end of a year and returned to the holy ministry, and is now the zealous rector of St. Peter's, Poughkeepsie, and one of the rural deans of the archdiocese. The Rev. James Fitzsimmons, S.T.B., remained seven years at the new St. Joseph's,

teaching the senior course of Philosophy. He resigned in 1903 and was appointed rector of the church of the Sacred Heart at Dobb's Ferry.

The Rev. William H. Murphy, professor of Dogmatic Theology, left Troy to take up parish work. He founded the new parish of SS. Peter and Paul, in the Bronx, which is fast growing under his care.

Like him the Rev. Joseph Delany, D.D., returned to the ministry. He has since successfully filled several positions of importance, prudently managing parishes in the absence of their pastors. Recently (1905) he accepted the chaplaincy of the House of the Good Shepherd in New York.

The Brothers of Lourdes who resided at the Seminary when it was closed were assigned to the houses of their order at Seattle, Wash., Pittsburg, Pa., and Osstacker, Belgium. They had rendered signal services to St. Joseph's from the time Bishop Delebecque sent them with the first colony of professors. Brothers Alphonsus, Rochus, Ghislenus, Callixtus, and others are remembered with affection by the Trojans who knew them.

More than eighty students of Troy entered Dunwoodie in the fall of 1896. These, too, though they did not receive Holy Orders there, may be considered as alumni of the house on Ida Hill.

The venerable building, hallowed by so many memories that cluster around it, was at first left vacant; then it was occupied successively by the Christian Brothers and by orphans from New York. At times it seemed in danger of being sold, much to the regret of its alumni, who shrank from the idea of

seeing this nursery of priests fall again into the hands of Protestants or turned to secular purposes.

Meanwhile the beautiful grounds, so tenderly cared for by Father Puissant, were losing their attractiveness; their tempting arbors were untrimmed, their thriving trees were neglected, the edifice itself was suffering from age. Finally a kind providence inspired Archbishop Farley, aided by Mgr. Edwards, to hand it over to the Salesian Fathers. In 1903 these zealous sons of Dom Bosco established in old St. Joseph's a seminary for the education of missionary priests for the Italians in the United States.

Thus ends the story of the Trojan period of St. Joseph's Seminary. *Fuit Ilium et ingens gloria Troiæ.* But it has left a double offspring—St. Joseph's of Dunwoodie, and the Salesian Seminary on Ida Hill. *Sunto perpetuæ.*

Jos F. Mowry

EPILOGUE.

THE ALUMNI SOCIETY OF ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCIAL SEMINARY, TROY, N. Y.

By the Rev. Thomas F. Myhan, A.M.

"*Ilium fuit.*" The old Seminary on the hill had run its course. The bell in its tower had tolled its parting knell to her youngest sons in June, 1896, and with the closing of its doors came the finish of a long, interesting, and glorious chapter in the Church history of New York and the New England States. St. Joseph's had known many homes during its lifetime, from the days of Bishop Dubois in 1833 to our day, but its longest sojourn was on Mount Ida in the city of Troy. From October, 1862, with its seventy students, to June, 1896, with its five hundred and more alumni, laboring in the vineyard of the Lord throughout the length and breadth of the land, marks an epoch of history of which every son of Troy is thankfully and rightfully proud. The opening of Dunwoodie, beautiful and monumental as art, forethought, and love could make it, while rejoicing the heart of every priest zealous for God's glory and the progress of Mother Church, still awoke in the soul of every Trojan the minor chord of sweet regret for "dear Old Troy," its walls and its walks, its traditions and its memories, for to all of them, as well as to every true-hearted

man, " be it ever so humble there is no place like home." Its halls were their home when their years were young; within its chapel walls their souls wrestled long and well for the better gifts, and while the pages of memory record many moments of sorrowful doubts and uncertain struggle in those days of apostolic training, yet its walks, redolent of cherry and apple blossoms in Spring time, smiled on their youthful hopes, as its sanctuary witnessed the bright scene of their crowning and triumph. What wonder then to see her sons on passing trains straining their eyes to catch a glimpse of her towers, while their lips bless God for the memories and graces of Seminary days. From time to time, classes have met to celebrate Ordination Anniversaries, and although the history of their priesthood was full of glorious deeds of self-conquest and sacrifice for God, somehow or other the conversation drifted to old Troy, and filled their hearts with the unspoken prayer: " God be with the good old days!" The " Trojan Magnificat " or the sweet strains of the " Adoro Te," as sung at the annual clerical retreats, stirred the hearts of men who prided themselves on being above sentiment and almost dead to the pleasures of sense. Now and again, her alumni were called together to celebrate the triumph of a distinguished son, but more often to lay to rest a faithful priest who had " fought the good fight and had won the crown." It was at a gathering of the latter kind that St. Joseph's Alumni Association had its birth. The thoughtful charity of a priest for his brother in the ministry brought together in June, 1900, a group of about twenty of Troy's sons in the house of the Rev.

John Carr ('82), rector of St. Mary's Church, Williamsbridge, New York City.

The Rev. James Kelly ('81), had been called to his reward a few days before; Father Carr, his neighbor and fellow alumnus, invited a few priests to be present at a seventh-day Mass for his eternal repose. Charity, which is always kind and fruitful, appealed to the hearts of those present and filled them with the desire to be remembered also when it pleased the Master to call them home. A priest has a fair share of the honors and affections of those about him, but as he is a man apart, "*segregatus*," he can not rest on any heart save God's and those who labor with him, shoulder to shoulder, in the army of the Lord. A fellow feeling, akin to that of Ruth of old,—"your people shall be my people, and your God, my God," took possession of the hearts of the band of twenty and cemented a union, made more lasting because natural, namely, a society of sons of the same Alma Mater, St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, N. Y. The leading spirit of the conference was the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Joseph F. Mooney, V.G. ('71), who was chosen temporary chairman, and under his skilful and whole-souled care, the Association came into life and healthful vigor. Preliminary meetings were held in the Fall of that same year and a board of officers elected on October 30th, in the cathedral school hall of New York City. The calling together of an Alumni scattered throughout the land, after so many years of separation, was no easy task, and although many difficulties had to be met and overcome, the first general meeting, held in the church of the Sacred Heart, New York

City, on Thursday, April 18, 1901, found assembled a large number of members, strong in affection for one another and firm in loyalty to their Alma Mater. The Bishop of Ogdensburg, Rt. Rev. Henry Gabriels, former president of the Seminary, opened the meeting with Pontifical Mass and launched the society with his episcopal blessing. With characteristic modesty, Mgr. Mooney resigned the presidency when he saw the existence of the Association assured, and Rt. Rev. Mgr. Arthur J. Teeling of Lynn, Mass., was elected in 1903 to succeed him. Thanks to his enthusiasm of nature and love of Alma Mater, aided and abetted by the energetic treasurer, Rev. James Dougherty, of New York, the annual meetings have been brimful of good nature, and a real treat both for soul and body of all who have attended. With the march of time have come many honors to the sons of Troy; hardly a year goes by which does not witness the episcopal consecration of some one of her offspring, while the register of those whom God, the great High Priest and Rewarder of all, has been calling home for His eternal blessing has been lengthening apace. Yet, strange to say, year by year, the Association grows. Destined to die, for Alma Mater is no longer a fruitful mother, still like the valiant woman in the Book of Proverbs, her children throughout the land rise up and call her blessed, and each succeeding year finds them in greater numbers meeting to renew the memories of Seminary days, to honor those to whom honor is due, and as loyal sons to praise "her in the gates."

SUPPLEMENT A.

LIST OF ALUMNI BISHOPS.

Rt. Rev. Denis M. Bradley, D.D., first Bishop of Manchester, consecrated June 11th, 1884; died Dec. 13th, 1903.

Rt. Rev. John Joseph Michaud, D.D., Bishop of Burlington, consecrated June 29th, 1892.

Rt. Rev. Michael Tierney, D.D., Bishop of Hartford, consecrated Feb 22d, 1894.

Rt. Rev. Philip Joseph Garrigan, D.D., first Bishop of Sioux City, consecrated May 25th, 1902.

Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Hendrick, D.D., Bishop of Cebu, P. I., consecrated August 23d, 1903.

Rt. Rev. Charles Henry Colton, D.D., Bishop of Buffalo, consecrated August 24th, 1903.

Rt. Rev. Thomas Francis Cusack, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of New York, consecrated April 25th, 1904.

Rt. Rev. Thomas Francis Hickey, D.D., Coadjutor Bishop of Rochester, consecrated May 24th, 1905.

SUPPLEMENT B.

LIST OF ALUMNI PRELATES.

Rt. Rev. John Edwards, New York.

Rt. Rev. Michael J. Lavelle, New York.

Rt. Rev. Jas. S. M. Lynch, Syracuse.

Rt. Rev. Joseph F. Mooney, New York.

Rt. Rev. John Kennedy, Syracuse.
Rt. Rev. John Walsh, Albany.
Rt. Rev. John L. Reilly, Albany.
Rt. Rev. Arthur J. Teeling, Boston.
Rt. Rev. Eugene O'Callaghan, Manchester, N. H.
Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Conroy, Ogdensburg.

SUPPLEMENT C.

LIST OF ALUMNI VICARS-GENERAL.

Very Rev. Joseph H. Conroy, Vicar-General of Bishop Henry Gabriels of Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Very Rev. John Edwards, Vicar-General of Archbishop John M. Farley, D.D., of New York.

Very Rev. John Murphy, Vicar-General of Bishop Healy, of Portland. Died 1892.

Very Rev. Thomas E. Walsh, Vicar-General of Bishop Gabriels, of Ogdensburg. Died 1901.

Very Rev. James Kiernan, Vicar-General of Rochester. Died 1900.

Very Rev. Michael J. Lavelle, Vicar-General of Archbishop John M. Farley, D.D., of New York.

Very Rev. James S. M. Lynch, Vicar-General of Bishop Patrick A. Ludden, D.D., of Syracuse, N. Y.

Very Rev. John A. Lyons, Vicar-General of Bishop John J. Monaghan, D.D., of Wilmington, Del.

Very Rev. Joseph F. Mooney, Vicar-General of Archbishop John M. Farley, D.D., of New York.

Very Rev. J. Mulcahy, Vicar-General of Bishop Tierney, of Hartford. Died 1900.

Very Rev. James O'Hare, Vicar-General of Bishop McQuaid, of Rochester. Died 1898.

APPENDIX.

I.

A PARTIAL LIST OF PRIESTS WHO STUDIED FOR A TIME IN ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCIAL SEMINARY AND WERE ORDAINED IN ROME AND ELSEWHERE.

1864.

Rev. Nicholas J. Quinn, Albany;
pastor of St. Patrick's church, Utica, N. Y.

Rev. John Buckley, Albany;
died pastor of Spencerport, N. Y., 1875.

Rev. Bernard B. Kelly, New York;
died, retired, in diocese of Cleveland, Ohio, 1891.

Rev. William P. McQuaid, Boston;
pastor of St. James' church, Boston, Mass.

Rev. Thomas Smith, Hartford;
died pastor of Greenwich, Conn., 1900.

1865.

Rev. Daniel Adams, Albany;
died in Australia, before 1872.

Rev. Bernard Caraher, Albany;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, Watertown, N. Y., 1893.

Rev. Alexander J. Harnist, D.D., Louisville;
died pastor of church of Our Lady, Portland, Louisville, 1893.

Rev. Bartholomew O'Brien, Albany;
died, retired.
Most Rev. John M. Farley, D.D., New York;
archbishop of New York.
Rev. Thomas Healy, Hartford;
died pastor of Stamford, Conn., 1873.
Rev. Lawrence J. Kennedy, Albany;
died pastor of Kennerville, La., 1893.
Rev. John A. Lyons, New York;
vicar-general of Wilmington, Del., pastor of pro-cathedral, Wilmington.
Rev. Francis T. McCarthy, Pittsburg;
priest of the Society of Jesus.

1866.

Rev. Dennis O'Keefe, Albany;
died assistant at St. Patrick's church, West Troy, N. Y., 1874.
Rev. John Fitzpatrick;
died before 1872.
Rev. John H. Hearty, Albany;
died assistant at St. Peter's church, Troy, N. Y., 1882.
Rev. Lawrence P. McCarthy, Boston;
pastor of the church of Most Holy Redeemer, Boston, Mass.
Rev. Bernard J. McDonough, Albany;
pastor of Ballston, N. Y.
Rev. Isaac N. Wells, New York;
died pastor of Niagara Falls, N. Y., 1874.
Rev. James Masterson, Boston;
chaplain St. Ann's Asylum, Providence, R. I.

1867.

Rev. Francis Smyth, Albany;
died pastor of Unionville, Mo., 1882.
Rev. Henry F. Kinnerny, Hartford;
died pastor of St. Joseph's church, Pawtucket, R. I., 1905.
Rev. Dennis Desmond, Hartford;
died pastor of Middletown, Conn., 1885.
Rev. Thomas McKeon, Albany;
died assistant at St. Mary's church, Davenport, Iowa, 1872.
Rev. Patrick L. Quaille, Boston;
died pastor of Turner's Falls, Mass., 1902.
Rev. Philip Steyle, New York;
pastor of Delaware, O.

1868.

Rev. William Connelly, New York;
died pastor of Whitestone, L. I., 1886.
Rev. John H. O'Brien, Albany;
died, retired, in diocese of Fort Wayne, 1875.
Rev. John T. Smith, Boston;
died rector of cathedral, Boston, 1881.
Rev. Thomas F. Delaney, Albany;
assistant at St. Ann's church, New Orleans.

1869.

Rev. William Murphy, Burlington;
in the diocese of Lincoln, Neb.

1870.

Rev. Patrick V. Daly, Albany;
died in diocese of Chicago, 1886.

Rev. Thomas F. Clinton, Hartford;
died pastor of Sandwich, Mass., 1895.
Rev. John Donnelly, New York;
died in diocese of Halifax.
Rev. John Early, Albany;
died assistant at St. Bernard's church, Cohoes, 1876.

1871.

Rev. Thomas J. Coleman, Hartford;
pastor of Fairfield, Conn.
Rev. Severn P. Kerr, New York;
died priest of the Society of Jesus.
Rev. James M. McCloskey, Springfield;
died, retired, 1891.
Rev. John B. Smith, Rochester;
died pastor of Emmittsburgh, Iowa, 1881.
Rev. Daniel B. Toomey, Boston;
in the diocese of Chicago, absent on leave.
Rev. Charles Drees, Rochester;
in the diocese of Milwaukee, absent on leave.

1872.

Rev. Joseph O. Gadoury, Ogdensburg;
died pastor of St. Joseph's church, Salem, Mass. 1904.

1873.

Rev. John J. Hanlon, Albany;
died pastor of St. Vincent's church, Albany, N. Y., 1902.
Rev. Edward Hennessy, Rochester;
in the diocese of Dubuque, retired.

The Chapel of St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy.

1874.

Rev. Patrick W. Brennan, New York;
died assistant at St. Gabriel's church, New York, 1885.
Rev. James B. Greene, Albany;
pastor of Florence, N. Y.
Rev. Michael Duggan, New York;
died priest of Kansas City, Mo., 1897.
Rev. Joseph S. Gallagher, New York;
pastor of Amboy, Ill.
Rev. Aloysius R. Nevins, New York;
died priest of Congregation of St. Paul, 1899.
Rev. John Synnott, Hartford;
died pastor of Taftville, Conn., 1901.

1875.

Rev. Patrick Mee, New York;
chaplain of St. Vincent's Retreat, Harrison, N. Y.
Rev. Henry A. O'Kelly, Portland;
pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Streator, Ill.
Rev. Napoleon J. Pelletier, Rochester;
priest of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.
Rev. Thomas Clark, New York;
died assistant at St. Stephen's church, New York, 1882.
Rev. Francis J. Donnelly, Albany;
died pastor of White Sulphur, Ky., 1898.
Rev. Martin J. Cluney, Rochester;
pastor of Honeoye Falls, N. Y.

Rev. William McKenna, New York;
died, retired, in Peoria, Ill., 1895.

1876.

Rev. Patrick L. Carr, New York;
pastor of Dunsmuir, Cal.
Rev. Thomas F. Reynolds, Springfield;
died pastor of Otter River, Mass., 1889.

1877.

Rev. Dominic J. Higgins, New York;
pastor of West Louisville, Ky.
Rev. Henry O'Grady, Rochester;
missionary priest in Mobile, Ala.

1878.

Rev. Michael J. Egan, Boston;
pastor of Eagle, Ill.

1879.

Rev. Telesphore G. Plante, Portland, Me.;
retired in the diocese of St. Paul.

1880.

Rev. Michael J. Doody, Boston;
pastor of Cambridgeport, Mass.
Rev. Charles Schaaf, Albany;
retired in diocese of Kansas City, Mo.

1881.

Rev. Terence P. Rafferty, Trenton;
died priest of the diocese of Harrisburg, Pa.,
1900.

Rev. James P. Heaney, Rochester;
pastor of St. Mary's church, Mendota, Ill.
Rev. Thomas H. Malone, Rochester;
priest of the diocese of Denver.
Rev. Thomas T. Whelan, Hartford;
died pastor of Torrington, Conn., 1891.

1882.

Rev. William H. O'Brien, Boston;
died, retired, priest of Leavenworth, 1890.
Rev. James E. Sheehy, New York;
priest of the Fathers of Mercy.
Rev. John A. Hirschmayer, New York;
priest of diocese of Charleston.
Rev. John T. Harrison, Rochester;
in diocese of St. Paul.
Rev. Francis O. Siegelack, New York;
pastor of Middle Village, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. Joseph V. Tracy, D.D., Boston;
pastor of St. Anthony's church, Boston, Mass.

1883.

Rev. Henry Nieuwenhuis, New York;
pastor of church of the Assumption, New York
Rev. Cornelius J. Riordan, Boston;
pastor of Newton Upper Falls, Mass.
Rev. James J. Shannon, Peoria;
pastor of St. Mark's church, Peoria, Ill.
Rev. James M. Browne, Rochester;
died pastor of Leadville, Col., 1898.
Rev. Jeremiah F. Toomey, Albany;
pastor of Meyersdale, Pa.

Rev. William Bitter, New York;
priest of diocese of Monterey.
Rev. Francis J. Quinn, Albany;
pastor of St. Anthony's church, Syracuse, N.Y.

1884.

Rev. Joseph F. Delany, D.D., New York;
chaplain of the House of the Good Shepherd, New York.
Rev. Patrick J. Long, Burlington;
pastor of Proctor, Vt.
Rev. Patrick J. Mahony, D.D., New York;
pastor of Goshen, N. Y.

1885.

Rev. John B. Weber, New York;
assistant at St. John's church, Kingsbridge, N. Y.

1886.

Rev. D. Alexander Sullivan, Manchester;
pastor of Lancaster, N. H.
Rev. David A. Hanley, Albany;
pastor of North East, Pa.
Rev. Charles F. Marshall, New York;
assistant at Union Hill, N. J.
Rev. Rudolph Ollig, New York;
pastor of Louisburg, Wis.

1887.

Rev. Eugene Bolla, New York;
chaplain of St. Mary's Academy, Portland, Oregon.

Rev. James A. Collins, New York;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Williamsbridge, New York.
Rev. Patrick J. Lennon, New York;
pastor of St. Monica's church, New York.
Rev. Ferdinand Zumbush, New York;
pastor of Lidgerwood, North Dakota.
Rev. Thomas R. Halpin, New York;
pastor of Clove, N. Y.

1888.

Rev. Daniel J. Curley, New York;
pastor of church of Our Lady of Solace, New York.
Rev. William J. Donahue, New York;
assistant at St. Bridgid's church, New York.
Rev. Malachy J. Garvey, Rochester;
pastor of Livonia, N. Y.
Rev. John Haubrich, New York;
pastor of Preston, Iowa.
Rev. James P. O'Brien, New York;
assistant at St. Patrick's church, New York.
Rev. James F. O'Neill, Albany;
pastor of Franklin, Tenn.

1889.

Rev. James F. Meskell, New York;
pastor of Ashland, Ill.
Rev. Daniel J. Harrigan, New York;
died assistant at St. Brigid's church, New York, 1903.
Rev. George F. X. Griffith, New York;
absent on leave.

Rev. Arthur B. Desautels, Albany;
pastor of new French church, Schenectady, N. Y.
Rev. John P. Brophy, Rochester;
pastor of St. Monica's church, Rochester, N. Y.

1890.

Rev. John J. Keane, New York;
assistant at Haverstraw, N. Y.
Rev. Francis E. Lavelle, D.D., New York;
assistant at Holy Rosary church, New York.
Rev. Cornelius J. Cronan, Rochester;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Rosebank, N. Y.
Rev. John W. Cummings, Rochester;
pastor of Arlington, Ill.
Rev. Thomas D. Kennedy, Rochester;
pastor of Wyoming, Ill.
Rev. Patrick Neville, Rochester;
pastor of East Bloomfield, N. Y.
Rev. Frederick Niebling, Rochester;
pastor of Effingham, Ill.

1891.

Rev. Alexander Smietana, New York;
pastor of St. Joseph's church, Kansas City, Kan.
Rev. Charles J. Parks, New York;
assistant at St. Charles Borromeo's church New York.

Rev. Edward J. Tierney, New York;
assistant at church of the Holy Name, New York.
Rev. John J. Bresnihan, Rochester;
pastor of Churchville, N. Y.
Rev. Michael U. Dwyer, Rochester;
assistant at Seneca Falls, N. Y.
Rev. Sebastian B. Englerth, Rochester;
pastor of Cohocton, N. Y.
Rev. James Gibbons, Rochester;
pastor of Newark, N. Y.
Rev. Michael W. Gommenginger, Rochester;
pastor of Lyons, N. Y.
Rev. Martin A. Grasser, New York;
pastor of Bardonia, N. Y.
Rev. John W. E. Kelly, Rochester;
pastor of Spencerport, N. Y.
Rev. John B. McHugh, New York;
assistant at church of the Sacred Heart, New York.
Rev. Stephen V. McPadden, Rochester;
pastor of St. Stephen's church, Geneva, N. Y.
Rev. Jeremiah A. Maley, Rochester;
pastor of St. Cecilia's church, Elmira, N. Y.
Rev. John H. O'Brien, Rochester;
assistant at the cathedral, Rochester.
Rev. John P. Schellhorn, Rochester;
pastor of the church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. Richard H. Tobin, New York;
assistant at Peekskill, N. Y.

Rev. William S. Creeden, New York;
assistant at St. Andrew's church, New York.
Rev. Michael C. Wall, Rochester;
pastor of Horseheads, N. Y.

1892.

Rev. M. Thibaudeau, Ogdensburg;
assistant at St. Cunegonde, Montreal, Canada.
Rev. John Farrell, Rochester;
chaplain of Soldiers' Home, Bath, N. Y.
Rev. James A. Kennedy, Rochester;
pastor of Hammondsport, N. Y.
Rev. William P. Ryan, Rochester;
assistant at the cathedral, Rochester.
Rev. Ferdinand Scheid, Rochester;
assistant at SS. Peter and Paul's church, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. William Synnott, D.D., New York;
assistant at the cathedral, New York.
Rev. Patrick Healey, New York;
professor at the Catholic University, Washington.

1893.

Rev. Thomas J. Conway, Syracuse;
pastor of Truxton, N. Y.
Rev. Edward J. Beary, New York;
assistant at St. Raphael's church, New York.
Rev. Michael A. Reilly, New York;
diocesan missionary, New York.
Rev. Edward L. Dyer, New York;
assistant at Guardian Angels' church, New York.

Rev. Anthony J. Grogan, New York;
assistant at Emigrants' Home, New York.
Rev. William Looney, Albany;
died, retired, 1899.
Rev. Charles McCaffrey, Albany;
pastor of Oneonta, N. Y.
Rev. James J. McNamara, New York;
assistant at Middletown, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas N. Madden, New York;
assistant at St. Raphael's church, New York.

1894.

Rev. Victor Vandenhende, Ogdensburg;
pastor of Standish, N. Y.
Rev. Francis P. Duffy, New York;
professor at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, N. Y.
Rev. Martin J. Burke, New York;
assistant at church of the Holy Spirit, New York.
Rev. Pasquale Maltese, New York;
pastor of the church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Port Chester, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. McLoughlin, Albany;
assistant at Saratoga, N. Y.
Rev. John J. Barrington, New York;
assistant at the church of the Annunciation, New York.
Rev. John E. Gilligan, Albany;
assistant at St. Mary's church, Troy, N. Y.
Rev. William Hughes, New York;
professor at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, N. Y.

Rev. John C. Carey, Albany;
assistant at Rensselaer, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick J. Clune, New York;
pastor of Merchantville, N. J.
Rev. Henry F. Curtin, Syracuse;
assistant at Norwich, N. Y.
Rev. James F. Ferris, New York;
assistant at the church of the Holy Cross, New York.
Rev. Arthur J. Kelly, Albany;
pastor of Richfield Springs, N. Y.
Rev. Patrick A. O'Marra, New York;
assistant at Highland Falls, N. Y.
Rev. William J. O'Reilly, New York;
assistant at St. Ann's church, New York.
Rev. Thomas Ryan, New York;
died, assistant, in New York, 1899.

1895.

Rev. Alfred J. Boulerice, D.D., Ogdensburg;
pastor of Constable, N. Y.
Rev. Francis A. Barry, New York;
assistant at St. Thomas Aquinas' church, New York.
Rev. John F. Brady, New York;
professor at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas B. Cummings, New York;
assistant at St. Bernard's church, New York.
Rev. Joseph A. Farrell, New York;
assistant at St. Peter's church, New Brighton, N. Y.

Rev. James J. Hughes, New York;
assistant at the church of the Blessed Sacrament, New Rochelle, N. Y.
Rev. Thomas F. Kane, New York;
diocesan missionary, New York.
Rev. Patrick F. Kelly, New York;
in western diocese.
Rev. Thomas F. Carey, New York;
pastor of Wheelersburgh, O.
Rev. John M. Flynn, New York;
assistant at St. Gabriel's church, New York
Rev. Patrick J. Gilmartin, New York;
assistant at St. Raymond's church, New York.
Rev. Richard O. Hughes, New York;
assistant at the cathedral, New York.
Rev. Michael S. Kane, Albany;
in the diocese of Sioux Falls, sick.
Rev. Daniel E. Kiernan, New York;
assistant at St. Joseph's church, Tremont, N. Y.
Rev. John Lane, New York;
assistant at St. Michael's church, New York.
Rev. Samuel A. Ludlow, New York;
assistant at the church of Epiphany, New York.
Rev. Gregory F. Moran, New York;
assistant at Atlantic City, N. J.
Rev. Joseph G. Murray, New York;
assistant at St. Agnes' church, New York.
Rev. John T. O'Reilly, New York;
assistant at St. John the Evangelist's church, New York.

Rev. Thomas Phibbs, Albany;
assistant at St. Peter's church, Troy, N. Y.
Rev. Thaddeus W. Tierney, New York;
assistant at St. Peter's church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Rev. Henry P. Tracey, D.D., New York;
assistant at St. Patrick's church, New York.

II.

A PARTIAL LIST OF THE ALUMNI WHO DIED BEFORE ORDINATION.

DIED BEFORE 1878.

John O'Keefe, Boston.
John O'Sullivan, Burlington.
James Gavin, Boston.
John Dunphy, Boston.
William Moran, Springfield.
William Boyce, New York.
Daniel McGowan, Albany.
Francis Hamil, Albany.
Thomas Heslin, Hartford.
James Hughes, Hartford.
—— Cronin, New York (?).
James Flannagan, Boston.
Dennis Sherlock, Albany.
—— Synnott, Hartford.
Peter Marlot, Albany.
James Devlin, Albany.
Joseph Donahoe, New York.
Thomas O'Driscoll, Albany.
John Noonan, New York.

Martin Becker, New York.
James Glennan, New York.
Peter Clarke, Boston.
Hugh Treanor, Boston.

Died in 1878 and after.

Patrick Leavy, Albany, 1878.
Dennis Drislane, New York, 1878.
Patrick McCarthy, Albany, 1878.
Michael Byrnes, 1879.
James Walsh, 1879.
John Smith, New York, 1879.
John Burns, Albany, 1879.
George Bergan, New York, 1880.
Thomas Leonard, Albany, 1881.
William Lane, Albany, 1881.
James Foley, Portland, 1881.
Patrick Fitzpatrick, New York, 1882.
Emile Staud, New York, 1882.
John Bulger, Rochester, 1883.
Patrick Hayes, Trenton, 1884.
James Underwood, Springfield, 1884.
James Dennin, Albany, 1884.
Cornelius Crane, New York, 1884.
John Kingsley, Burlington, 1884.
Michael Murphy, New York, 1885.
William Whalen, Albany, 1885.
William Connelly, New York, 1886.
Michael Maney, Rochester, 1887.
Thomas Haggerty, New York, 1887.
Matthew Wahl, New York, 1887.

James Craven, New York, 1887.
John Sullivan, Albany, 1890.
William Collins, Albany, 1892.
Charles Fagan, Albany, 1892.
Michael O'Donnell, New York, 1893.
Joseph Murphy, New York, 18 3.
Francis Fitzgerald, Syracuse, 1895.
John Stapleton, Rochester, 1896.
Hugh Butler, Rochester, 1897.
Charles McCarthy, Albany, 1902.
Peter Kelly, ———, 1899.
And many others not recorded.

Requiescat in pace.

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